

PAUL VANE'S WIFE

CHAPTER LXXI.

"A whole month at Aready with its torturing memories! Why did I ever promise to stay here so long?" Vivian asked herself, in dismay, when barely a week of her visit had gone by.

Old Mrs. Lisle had been very happy over the coming of her old-time favorite, bonny Vivian. She had clasped her tightly in her arms; she had kissed the sweet, tremulous red lips; then, holding her off to look at her, had gazed anxiously into the face she remembered as so blithe and demure, with its arch smiles and dimples that came and went so daintily on the lips and cheeks.

"Ah! my dear, I wish I knew how to make up to you for her sin," she sighed, remorsefully, and she remembered with keen self-reproach how anxious she had been for Paul to marry Loraine, how she had helped to bring it about when she thought Vivian was dead.

"But I believed him so good, so noble, and I knew that Loraine was reckless and ungodly. I did it for her sake, I thought he might save her soul," she thought, self-exculpatingly; and on Sundays, when the dear old lady knelt in her pew at Forest Church, she never forgot to pray for those two wicked ones, that they might repent of their sins and make atonement.

Now that she had opened her heart again to Vivian, she loved her more devotedly than ever, and whenever she thought of the unknown granddaughters whose place had been filled so long by the usurper she exulted to herself that she would give the world to learn that Vivian was the true heirress.

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How cruel it is to be unable to forget those things that it only gives one pain to remember!

her home near Natural Bridge. Every one was shocked at her talking of you being alive. We had all been told there was some mistake; that you were dead; we could show her your grave in Forest Church-yard. The girl wept with disappointment, and they went away again through the snow, declining our invitation for them to spend the night."

"That explains something that has always been a mystery to me!" Vivian exclaimed, excitedly. "Did they have a beautiful large Newfoundland dog named Bassy?"

"Yes, I remember the dog perfectly well," answered Grandmother Lisle. "On that night," said Vivian, "when I wandered for weary miles through the cold snow, and at last sunk down to perish, I was discovered by a dog that went to Meadow Brook and acted so strangely that Willie Bennis went out in the snow and searched until he found me. That dear, kind Aunt Sarah, who has been so good to me, says that the dog actually answered to the name of Bassy, by which she called him at a venture. The next morning he disappeared, and I feel quite certain now that it was Emma's dog. He knew and loved me so dearly, that he must have found me in the snow while they were passing by, and he never rested till some one was brought to my relief."

"It was wonderful. The hand of God was in their coming to Aready, that night," Mrs. Lisle exclaimed, reverently. "Yes, you must go and see them, Vivian, and I will make it a duty of mine to send you some of those good people for their kindness to you."

Vivian thanked the generous old lady, for she had often longed for riches to shower gifts upon these faithful friends who had so nobly given of their souls for her sake, and in the thought of seeing pretty Emma and her kindly mother again she forgot for a while her own troubles. To do good and to think of others more than oneself, is, after all, the best panacea for the ills of life.

The next day she went with Mrs. Lisle on the short journey of between twenty and thirty miles to the Natural Bridge, but, to her disappointment, the Morleys were gone. The brown-eyed Emma had married her lover, Dr. Charley, two years before, and she and her mother had gone with him to Alderson, where he had settled to practice.

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glittering black eyes were flashing over the pale face of her grandmother, who was shrinking in a large arm-chair, trembling as from an ague chill. "Grandmother, you don't seem very glad to see me after my long absence," she cried, with a harsh, sarcastic laugh.

"But no matter. There never was much love lost between us, and I have not come to beg for it again. I am in search of my husband—of Paul Vane! He is here, is he not? He must be here—his voice changing to a sort of frantic appeal: "For I have tracked him step by step to Aready."

"He is not here," Mrs. Lisle answered, faintly, surprised. "The beautiful dark face of Loraine paled to an ashen hue; her dark eyes blazed. "Do not lie to me!" she said fiercely, through her teeth. "He must be here. I tell you I tracked him to Aready! Since last spring, when he deserted me to return to her—to that miserable impostor—I have been on his track; but he eluded me always—always—until the very last, and then I learned that he had come here. Oh, tell him to come to me—that I love him still—that I will forgive all if only he will return!"

DRUCE STORY.

WOMAN WITNESS HAS BOOKS ON DICKENS AND DUKE.

Fictitious Love Letters—Police Make Some Remarkable Finds in the Apartments of Mary Robinson.

London, Feb. 20.—The hearing of the charge of perjury against Mary Robinson, the Druce case witness who testified in George Hollaby's prosecution of Herbert Druce for perjury that she was introduced to the Duke of Portland by Charles Dickens, was employed by him as outside secretary and knew him as the Duke and also as T. C. Druce, proprietor of the Baker street bazaar, was resumed in the Bow street Police Court yesterday.

The police testified that when they searched the prisoner's apartments they discovered a number of letters and memoranda concerning the fifth Duke of Portland, Welbeck Abbey and Charles Dickens, some of them dating years back. From these the prisoner had compiled her amazing evidence. There were also proofs to show that she was prepared to swear that she was the Duke of Portland's mistress and was the recipient of large sums of money from him.

Some of the Duke's fictitious love letters were read in court and caused great laughter. The police also testified that they found letters from an American lawyer who was acting for Hobart C. Caldwell, returning to the prisoner a copy of her famous diary, the writer assuring her that the copy had been accurately drawn.

DROWNED THROUGH THE ICE.

Russian Meets Death While Crossing to the Canadian "Soo."

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Feb. 20.—The first drowning accident of the year occurred at an early hour this morning near the International Dock, on the Canadian side, Jandras Fegavie, a Russian, was returning from the Michigan "Soos" accompanied by Blaiz Payton and the latter's son, Fegavie and Payton headed for the end of the International Dock, and just as they reached it, Fegavie broke through the ice.

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QUEEN TO QUIT PORTUGAL.

Amelie Has Decided She Will Live in Spain.

COURT AT BUCKINGHAM.

The Formal Opening of the London Social Season.

London, Feb. 20.—The formal official opening of the London social season, which was postponed a fortnight ago on account of the assassination of King Carlos and the Crown Prince of Lisbon, took place here to-night, when King Edward and Queen Alexandra held court at Buckingham Palace.

EXPLOSION AT BAPTISM.

Forty Persons Were Injured In Santo Domingo.

New York, Feb. 20.—The Herald has received the following cable dispatch from Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo: A remarkable disaster has occurred at Cotui, resulting in forty persons sustaining more or less severe injuries.

AT R. MCKAY & CO'S., SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, 1908

Greater Bargains Than Ever From The Great February Sale

Wonderful Buying Chances Await You Here

Here Are Some of the Leaders:

The greatest sale of manufacturers' stock of Rugs; a sale that will be appreciated just at this particular time.

A sale for men—A sale of fine Summer Wash Vests that is causing a surprise. Don't miss it.

Our great Embroidery sales are always looked forward to with great interest. See our window display.

These are sales that shrewd buyers cannot afford to miss, backed up by the standard of quality and newness of styles such as this store is noted for; of course, there are other reasons contained in this splendid Saturday sale list that will make a trip to the McKay store a profitable one for you to-morrow. Come.

Special Sale in Taffeta Ribbons 17c Yard

75 pieces of Pure Silk Taffeta Ribbon, 4 1/2—5 inches wide, in beautiful shades of pink, sky, cardinal, navy, rose, green, helio, Nile, white, cream, a lovely, bright finished ribbon, regularly 25c, on sale 17c

Chiffon Taffeta Ribbons 25c Yard 50 pieces of 5-inch Silk Faille, and Chiffon Taffeta Ribbon, in all the leading shades for spring, greens, browns, cardinals, roses, helios, purples, Tuscans, pinks, skies, etc., also white and cream, regularly 40c and 50c yard, on sale Saturday 25c

February Sale of Embroideries 3c, 5c, 9c, 11c, 15c, 19c, 25c Some 30 cartons of manufacturers' sample ends of Embroidered Fine, Heavy Cambric, in widths from 1 to 18 inches, and wide, dainty Edgings, with small patterns, also eylet and shadow designs, insertions to match, suitable for trimming fine garments, regularly 5, 10, 15, 20 to 40c yard, on sale 3, 5, 9, 11, 15, 19, 25c

Manufacturer's Samples of Corset Cover Embroidery 15c, 19c, 25c, 29c Yard 10 cartons of 18-inch Cambric Corset Cover Embroideries, nicely embroidered in eylet designs, with heading inserted, some choice short lengths, worth up to 50c yard 15, 19, 25, 29c yard

February Sale in Ladies' Gloves

French Kid Gloves 39c Pair A few dozen of fine French Kid Gloves left, in small sizes, 3 1/2, 3 3/4, 6, assorted shades, also White Odds and Ends of regular lines, regular \$1.00 and \$1.25, on sale Saturday only 39c pair

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Balance of Linen Robe Purchase on Sale To-morrow

To-morrow, the day to procure your summer dress or suit. These robes are of two weights of linen, handsomely embroidered in latest designs, skirts all gored, and very wide. These robes are as nice as those at three times the price. Entire balance of our special purchase, on sale to-morrow for \$5.98

Dress Goods Section

Just passed into stock a complete range of French Venetians and Satin Amazon Suitings and to-morrow will be a good day to make your selections before the mad rush. Only a short time now until every dressmaker will be busy with spring orders.

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We are going to do two days' business in one on Saturday. Values like these should make the task easy.

Black Voiles—\$1 Quality for 79c

Shadow Check Taffeta Cloth for 50c

Odd Napkins 2 dozen extra heavy White Bath Towels, soft absorbent weave, real value 65c, special 49c

Sheeting 25c Plain Bleached Sheet, round even thread, 2 yards wide, very special 25c

English Longcloth 70c Just received, 4,000 yards special English Longcloth, fine even weave, lambers splendidly, worth 124c, Saturday special to introduce it 11c yard, 10 yards for \$1.00

Pillow Cotton 18c Extra quality 42 and 44 inch plain Pillow Cotton, special 18c yard

Nainsook 18c Fine soft finish English Nainsook, special underwash quality, worth 25c, for 18c

2 Specials in the Whitewear Department

86c Corset Covers 49c Fine White Nainsook Corset Covers, made of full front and trimmed with Swiss embroidery and Valenciennes insertion; worth regular 85c, Saturday's sale price 49c

1.50 Underskirts 98c Ladies' Fine White Cambric Underskirts, made with deep flounce and trimmed with three rows of insertion and lace, with dust frill; worth regular 1.50, Saturday's sale price 98c

Baby Department

75c Infants' Slips for 49c Infants' Fine White Nainsook Slips, neck and sleeves trimmed with lace, worth regular 75c, Saturday's sale price 49c

20c Wool Booties for 10c Infants' Red Wool Booties, worth regular 20c, Saturday only 10c

Read This — FOR MEN — Read This

A special line of Men's Summer Vests, sizes from 34 to 50, one of the best bargains ever shown in Canada. Saturday we are going to sell them at 50c, regular price \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50. Shop early in order to select the good patterns.

Big Saturday Sale of Hosiery and Underwear

Hose 19c Pair Children's Ribbed Cashmere Hose, sizes from 4 to 7, double knees, well spliced toes and heels; regular 25c values, Saturday sale price special 19c pair

Hose 49c Pair Women's Plain Cashmere Hose, with ribbed tops, in all sizes, spliced toes and heels, full fashioned; Saturday special sale price 47c pair

Vests 99c Ladies' White or Natural Vests, all wool, made from best yarns by one of the best makers; regular price \$1.50, Saturday only sale price 99c

Manufacturers' Surplus Stocks of Rugs Are Selling Fast. About One Half Sold

See These Goods Before They Are All Sold

\$22 Brussels Squares \$15 25 only Brussels Squares, size 10 feet 6 inches x 9 feet, in crimson and green two-toned effects, also lawn and brown colorings, worth \$22.00, for \$15.00

\$14 All Wool Squares \$9.75 27 All-wool Squares, size 12 feet x 9 feet, well assorted patterns, worth \$14.00, for \$9.75

\$1.50 Waists for 98c Fine White Lawn Waists, made with pretty allover embroidery front, open back or front, tucked collar and cuffs, worth regular \$1.50, Saturday's sale price 98c

\$2.00 Waists for \$1.19 Pale Blue and Red Eiderdown Kimonos, made with tight-fitting back and nicely trimmed, worth regular \$2.00, Saturday's sale price \$1.19

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Diamonds in Arkansas.

New York, Feb. 20.—That the diamond field lately discovered in Pike county, Arkansas, compares favorably with most, if not all, of those of South Africa, was the assertion of George F. Kutz, mineralogist, at yesterday's session of the American Institute of Mining Engineers.

Although no stones larger than 6.5 karats have yet been found, he continued, "the average size is fairly good. There is a large proportion of white stones, for the most part of a high grade in color, brilliancy and freedom from flaws. Indeed, many are as fine as ever have been found. Some of the yellow ones also are of exceptional quality and color."

"It should distinctly be understood by the public that the occurrence of diamonds near Murfreesboro is an isolated one, and that it does not resemble a mineral vein or lode in any respect. Should any similar igneous areas be discovered elsewhere any assertions put forward for them should be received with the greatest caution."

Father Murdered Infant.

Woodstock, N. B., Feb. 20.—Deputy Sheriff Foster and his assistants to-day found the remains of an infant alleged to have been slain by Richard Grey, of this place, who is now under arrest. The mother of the child is Grey's daughter, while Grey himself was its father. The finding of the coroner's jury will be murder. Grey says he thought the child would be better out of the road.

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BOWIN'S LADY FRIENDS.

Prisoner Subject to Usual Celebrity Craze.

Detroit, Feb. 20.—Percy Bowin, the 18-year-old Canadian boy who will go to trial during the first week of March on a charge of slaying Mrs. Cornelia Welch, is the hero of the hour at the county jail, in so far as a large number of women and girls are concerned. His boyish face has gained for him no little sympathy from the fair sex.

One woman gave him a large bottle of costly perfume and assured Bowin that she intended to write a "romantic story" around his life.

A pathetic letter was received to-day from Bowin's mother. The family appears to be in straightened circumstances, but the mother says she must find means to attend her son's trial and give him her support, and that if the world turns against him she will believe in him to the end.

FOR CLEAN ELECTIONS.

Agreement Between the Parties at St. John's N. B.