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LORD MORDEN'S DAUGHTER
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THE TRAGEDY OF THE CEDARS.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

"You mean that you hold some power over the old seaman, and force him to consent to anything you propose."
"He owes me money," confessed Marlowe. "I'll make a clean breast of it, and he has not been above trading with the smugglers. This is a serious offense, particularly for an old naval officer. From the day I discovered it, he has been my tool, and I determined to marry his granddaughter. Do you know why?" he went on excitedly. "I heard her mother's story from the old man again and again, and it did not take me long to discover that she was an earl's daughter—that her father lived, and that she would some day be a rich heiress. Would this not make a man do almost anything? And I should have succeeded, but for the handsome face and sweet words of young Locksley. There the whole story is in a nutshell! Esther Marsh was to share the money with me."

He faced the police office excitedly, and both Fairfax and Rogers promised to see him again the next day. The charge would not be called in court for two days, and, in the meantime, much might be done. He was removed to a cell, and they went away well satisfied with the progress that had been made.

Both men accompanied Dora to Richmond, for they were now heart and soul in the task of unravelling the many mysteries that surrounded her. Beyond a slight dizziness, she was none the worse for the chloroform she had inhaled and declared that its effects had been rather pleasant than otherwise, though she shuddered, to think what might have been her fate had not Frank Rogers traced the movements of her enemies.

"We have him completely in our hands now," he said, when they were seated in the train. "He has confessed that his great object in marrying you was to secure a fortune, which he believes that you will some day inherit from your father. Esther Marsh was to share in his good luck, and the power holds over your foolish old grandfather he will now never be able to use. From inquiries made about him, we learn that he is a big commercial bubble. The country is full of paper, purporting to be acceptances from customers who really do not exist. If one of these documents is ever dishonored, it means two years for him."

"Seven!" supplemented Fairfax. "our object is to run down the man who has prompted him in many things, and I am not sure, Mrs. Locksley, that it is not the same who met you at Charting Cross this evening. You say that he was under the average in size, apparently sixty years of age, and with round shoulders?"

"Yes," replied Dora.
"It is some one well conversant with our movements," Frank observed; then he turned to Dora, and continued: "It was only by the merest chance that I came upon the scene so opportunely, Mrs. Locksley. This evening I

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to—The Cedars, Streatham Hill! If I do not come back, you will know where to find my body!"

He went away, leaving Fairfax in an uncomfortable frame of mind.

"Peters thinks that he knows something of importance," he told Rogers, "but I shall soon begin to think that he is as irresponsible as his master. It seems an act of kindness on the part of Melville to persuade Mr. Locksley to return home under any pretense, though Peters attributes to him sinister motives. Why?"

They propounded many theories, but decided to do nothing further until Peters came back, and were both anxious and expectant, particularly since the events which had landed Mr. Richard Marlowe in prison.

It was nearly twelve o'clock when they reached the Temple, but there was no Peters in sight.

They went up to Fairfax's rooms, and the barrister produced a box of cigars, and some light wine.

"Let us make ourselves as comfortable as we can, Fairfax said. "I must confess that these rooms and passages have a gruesome feeling at night. The gloomy silence, after the bustle of the day, is very depressing. I should think an author would get plenty of inspiration here for a complete budget of ghost stories!"

Rogers closed the door, with a shiver, and stirred up the dying embers of the fire.

"The wind has a mournful sound," he observed, "and the silence is only accentuated by the tramp of the policeman who passes every hour. Hark! There he goes now!"

They lighted their cigars, took a draught of wine, and sat in silence for a while, until Fairfax remarked:

Half-past twelve! I hope that Peters will not forget his appointment. He promised to be here in the spirit, if not in the being corporeal!"

A minute later they heard a step on the paved courtyard, and Rogers stepped to the window.

"It's Peters; at last!" he exclaimed. "Hallo! There's somebody after him. By Heaven! it's the man with the hump—the man who decoyed Mrs. Locksley!"

"Nonsense!" exclaimed the barrister as he jumped to his feet. "By George, Rogers, you are right!"

They heard Peters on the stairs, and Fairfax turned to get a light, while Rogers walked to the door.

"Hold," interrupted the barrister. "He knows his way. Let him get to the top before we show ourselves, lest we startle our friend with the hump. We must capture that gentleman!"

The footsteps came nearer; then there was an oppressive silence, followed by a terrible thud-thud, and a scream of mortal agony.

Rogers dashed upon the door, while Fairfax revealed a horrible sight, almost at their feet, as he held aloft the lamp that had been snatched from the table.

CHAPTER XXXV.

Peters went to "The Cedars" to see his master. He had received an urgent summons from the weak old man, and he felt that it was his duty to obey. He felt that it was his duty to unmask Viscount Melville at any cost.

It was noon when he arrived, and he rang the bell at the outer gate in a fierce, peremptory manner.

The lodge-keeper admitted him at once. Peters had always been known for his irascible temper, but to-day there was something almost wild in his deep-set eyes.

"Is the master well?" he demanded. "I have heard of nothing to the contrary, Peters," the lodge-keeper replied.

"Have you seen Mr. Edmund Locksley here lately?"

"No."

Peters' eyes blazed with fury, and an oath grated through his clenched teeth.

"Curse him! The arch-fiend shall answer to me!"

He strode away, but wheeled round abruptly, and continued:

"Is Viscount Melville at the house?"

"No," replied the lodge-keeper. "He went out an hour since for a sallop."

"And Sir George Moncrieff?"

There was a strange smile on the valet's face, and a sneer curled his lips.

"I haven't seen him for days. The butler told me that he had gone off on the drink again."

(To be continued.)

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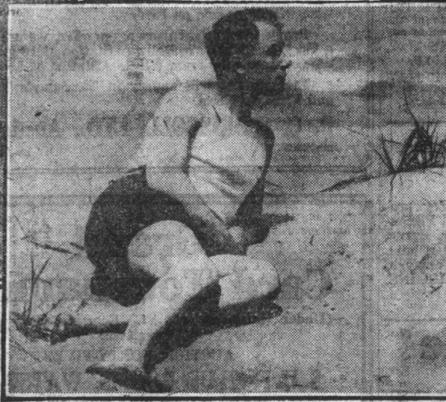
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The Colonial Office

In the proposed re-organization of the British Colonial Office may be seen a significant indication of British statesmanship. That office was wholly inadequate during the earlier stages of Empire-building, and its machinery, more flexible and less wrought about with restrictions than that of most governmental departments, has been readjusted and extended from time to time in efforts to meet the steadily increasing strain upon it. But with the emergence of the Dominions from their purely colonial statute to that of self-government within the Empire, it became more and more clear that the Colonial Office administration was not flexible enough to permit of the continuous changes in

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The proposal about to be implemented is one that should have been put into effect long ago. It will virtually divide the Colonial Office into two parts, one dealing exclusively with the Dominions and the other with the colonies. The proper perspective will thus be created and preserved. Business will be facilitated. There will be no confusion between the rights of the self-governing nations and those of the territories under Britain's elastic colonial administration. Canada, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand will all appreciate the change, for they will all realize the benefits derivable therefrom. This is wise legislation, worthy of the highest standards of that statesmanship which has made the British Empire the envy of all other great Powers in modern times.—Montreal Star.

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Labor and Communism

Johannesburg Sunday Times: Communists are extremists—Bolsheviks disguised under another name—and it will be a bad day for the worker of South Africa if ever they allow Communism to dominate the Trade Un-

ions. The Communists in Great Britain were so fanatical and ignorant that they would not even give their own associates a chance to justify their doctrines in the eyes of the world. Their violence and prejudice did incalculable harm to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's Labor Government, and if the accredited leaders of Labor gov-

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"MY WORK TAKES ME to construction camps where we get 'grub' instead of food. I suffered incessantly from diarrhoea; I could neither digest nor assimilate my 'grub' and became so weak I could hardly get about. I had taken green pills, blue pills, yellow pills, red pills. I tried Fleischmann's Yeast. That was five months ago. I am now a devotee of Fleischmann's Yeast—I have thrown away my rainbow of pills and now enjoy camp 'grub' with the appetite of any hunky on the job." Bert T. Mason, Burney, Calif.



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Gravely wounded by a shell in the Guevinais.

After recovering from his wounds he succeeded in escaping from his government camp and sheltering in a family in German territory, where he remained until the armistice, when he returned to France and found himself proclaimed dead, with his name on a local war memorial.

Incidentally he discovered that he was liable to be court-martialed for desertion, but an official decree now declares that Plothin enjoys all the rights of a citizen and is no longer liable for punishment as a deserter.

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