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In her cottage by the mine, old Hagar had raved, and sung and wept, talking much of Margaret, but never telling whither she had gone. Latterly, however, she had grown more calm, talking far less than heretofore, and sleeping a great portion of the day, so that the servant who attended her became neglectful, leaving her many hours alone, while she, at the stone house, passed her time more agreeably than at the lonesome

On the afternoon of which we write she was, as usual, at the house, and though the sun went down, she did not hasten back, for her patient, she said, was sure to sleep, and even if she woke she did

not need much care.

Meantime old Hagar slumbered on when at last she did awake her reason was in a measure restored, and she remembered everything distinctly up to the time of Margaret's last visit, when she said she was going away. And Margaret had gone away, she was sure of that, for she remembered Arthur Carrollton stood once within that room and besought of her to tell if she knew aught of Maggie's destination. She did know, but she had not told, and perhaps they had not found her yet. Raising herself in bed, she called aloud to the servant, but there came no answer; and for an hour or more she waited impatiently, growing each moment more and more excited. If Margaret were found she wished to know it, and if she were not found it was surely her duty to go at once and tell them where she was. But could she walk! She stepped upon could she walk! She stepped upon the floor and tried. Her limbs trembled beneath her weight, and, sinking into a chair, she cried, 'I can't I

Can't."

Half an hour later, she heard the sound of wheels. A neighboring farmer was returning home from Richland, and had taken the cross-road toward the control of the c

sound of wheels. A neighboring farmer was returning home from Richland, and had taken the cross-road as his shortest route. "Perhaps he will let me ride." she thought, and hobbling to the door she called after him, making known her request. Wondering what "new freak" had entered her mind, the man consented, and just as it was growing dark he set her down at Madam Conway's gate, where half fearfully, the bewildered woman gazed around. The windows of Margaret's room were open, a figure moved before them, Margaret might be there, and entering the hall door unobserved, she began to ascend the stairs, crawling upon her hands and knees, and pausing several times to rest.

It was nearly dark in the sick-room, and as Mrs. Jeffrey had just gone out, and Theo, in the parlor below, was enjoying a quiet talk with her husband, Madam Conway was quite alone. For a time she lay thinking of Margaret, then her thoughts turned upon George and his "amazing proposition." "Such unheard of insolence!" she exclaimed, and she was proceeding farther with her soliloquy, when a peculiar noise upon the stairs without caught her ear, and raising heresif upon her el-bow, she listened intently to the sound which came nearer and nearer, and seemed like some one creeping slowly, painfully, for she could hear at intervals a long drawn breath, or groan, and with a vague feeling of uneasiness she awaited anxiously the appearance of her visitor; nor waited long, for the half-closed door swung slowly back, and through the gathering darkness the shape came crawling on, over the threshold, into the room, toward the corner, its limbs distorted and bent, its white

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hair sweeping the floor. With a smothered cry, Madam Conway hid beneath the bedclothes, looking cautiously out at the singular object, which came creeping on until the bed was reached. It touched the counterpane, it was struggling to regain its feet, and with a scream of horror the terrified woman cried out, "Fiend, why are you here?" while a faint voice replied, "I am looking for Margaret. I thought she was in bed;" and rising up from her crouching posture, Hagar Warren stood face to face with the woman she had so long deceived.

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"Wretch!" exclaimed the latter her pride returning as she recognized old Hagar, and thought, "She is Maggie's grandmother. Wretch, how dare you come into my presence? Leave this room at once," and a shrill cry of "Theo, Theo!" rang through the house, bringing Theo at once to the chamber, where she started involuntarily at the sight which met her view.
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"Who is it? Who is it?" sne exclaimed.
"It's Hagar Warren. Take her away!" screamed Madam Conway; while Hagar, raising her withered hand deprecatingly, said: "Hear me first. Do you know where Margaret te? Has she hear found?"

the carriage is brought out."

Theo was about to remonstrate, when George whispered, "Let her go; Henry and Rose are probably not at home, but Margaret may be there. At all events a little airing will do the old lady good," and rather pleased than otherwise with the expedition, he went after John, who pronounced his mistress "crazier than Hagar."

But it wasn't for him to dictate, and grambling at the prospect before him, he harmersed his horses and drove them to the door, where

Madam Conway was already in waiting.

"See that everything is in order for our return," she said to Theo, who promised compliance, and then, herself bewildered, listened to the carriage as it rolled away; it seemed so like a dream that the woman, who three hours before could scarcely speak aloud, had now started for a ride of many miles in the dampinght-air! But love can accomplish miracles, and it made the eccentric lady strong, buoying up her spirits, and prompting her to cheer on the coachman, until just as the dawn grew rosy in the east Leominster appeared in view. The house was found, the carriage steps let down, and then with a slight trembling in her limbs, Madam Conway alighted and walked up the gravelled path, casting eager, searching glances around and commenting as follows:

"Everything is in good taste; they must be somebody these Warners. I'm glad it is no worse." And with each new indication of refinement in Margaret's relatives, the disgrace seemed less and less in the mind of

the proud Englishwoman.

The ringing of the bell brought down Janet, who with an inquisitive look at the satin bood and bundle of shawls, ushered the stranger into the parfor, and then went for her mistress. Taking the card her servant brought, Mrs. Warner read with some little trepidation the name, "Madam Conway, Hillsdale." From what she had heard, she was not prepossessed in the lady's favor; but, curious to know why she was there at this early hour, she hastened the making of her toilet, and went down to the parlor, where Madam Conway sat, coiled in one corner of the sofs, which she had satisfied hersell was covered with real brocatelle, as were also the chairs within the room. The tables of rosewood and marble, and the expensive curtains had none of them escaped her notice, and in a mood which more common furniture would never have produced. Madam Conway arose to meet Mrs. Warner, who received her politely, and then waited to hear her errand.

It was told in a few words. She had come for Margaret—Margaret. whom she had loved for eighteen years, and could not row cast off, even though she were not of the Conway and Davenport extraction.

"I can easily understand how painful must have been the knowledge that Maggie was not your even," returned Mrs. Warner, "for she is a girl of whom any one might be proud; but you are laboring under a mistake—Henry is not her brother." And then, very briefly, she explained the matter to Madam Conway, who, having heard so much, was now surprised at nothing, and who felt, it may be, a little gratified in knowing that Henry was, after all, nothing to Margaret, save the husband of her sister. But a terrible disappointment awaited her. "Margaret was not there," and so loud were her lamentations, that some time elapsed ere Mrs. Warner could make her listen, while she explained that "Mr. Carrollton had found Maggie the day previous at the Falls, that they were probably in Albany now, and would reach Hillsdale that very day;" such, at least, was the import of the telegraphed you."

This seemed probable, and, forgetting her weariness, Madam Conway resolved upon leaving John to drive home at his leisure, while she took the Leominster cars, which reached Worcester in time for the upward train. This matter adjusted, she tried to be quiet; but her excitement increased each moment, and when at last breakfast was served she did but little justice to the tempting viands which her hostess set before her. Margaret's chamber was visited enext, and very lovingly she patted and smoothed the down pillows, for the sake of the bright head which had rested there, while to herself she whispered abstractedly, "Yes, yes," though to what she was giving her assent, she could not tell. She only knew that she was very happy, and very impatient to be gone, and when at last she did go, it seemed to her an age ere Worcester was reached.

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"No, no," answered Theo, bounding to her side, while Madam Conway forgot to scream, and bent eagerly forward to listen, her symptoms of dissolution disappearing one by one, as the strange marrative proceeded, and ere its close she was nearly dressed, standing erect as ever, her face glowing, and her eyes lighted up with joy.

"Gone to Leominster! Henry Warner's half-sister!" she exclaimed. "Why didn't she add a postscript to that letter and tell us so? though the poor child couldn't think of everything;" and then, unmindful of George Douglas, who at that moment entered the room, she continued: "I should suppose Douglas might have found it out ere this. But the moment I put my eyes upon that woman, I knew no child of hers would ever know enough to find Margaret. The Warners are a tolerably good family, I presume. I'll go after her at once. Theo, bring my broche shawl, and wouldn't you wear my satin hood? "Iwill be warmer than my leghorn."

"Grandma," said Theo, in utter astonishment, "what do you mean? You are surely not going to Leominster to-night, as sick as you are?"

"Yes, I am going to Leominster to-night," answered the decided woman, "and this gentleman," waving her hand majestically toward George, "will oblige me much by seeing that the carriage is brought out."

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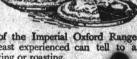
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