"The servants whispered till the matter was noised abroad. The county gentry had a meeting about it, and ielt so strongly that they did an unparalleled thing. They actually waited on him to assure, him that Potts was unworthy of trust, and to urge him not to treat his son so harshly. All Brandon's pride was roused at this. He said words to the deputation which cut him off forever from their sympathy, and they left in a rage. Mrs. Frandon wrote to me, and I went there. I found Brandon in lifexible. I urged him to the army for a while, to do anything rather than eject him. He refused to change his sentence. Then I pointed out the character of Potts, and 'told him many things that I lift heard. At this he hinted that I wished to have the management of his business, and was actuated by mercenary motives. Off course, after this insult, nothing more was to be said. I went home and tried to forget all about the Frandons. At the end of the week Louis refused to apologize, and left his father forever."

"Did you see Louis?"

"Did you wee Louis?"

"Did you try to make him apologize?"

asked Mrs. Thornton collly.

"Yes. But he looked at me with such an air that I had to aprologize myself for hinting at such a thing. He was sinflexible as his father."

"How 'clse could he have been?"

"Well, each might have yielded a little. It does not do to be so inflexible if one would succeed in life."

"No," said Mrs. Thornton. "Success must he gained by flexibility. The marriation followed at his wife hastily. The marriation him and the positive reliance that in prison. Brandon's friend, being an Englishman, would be set free in a few trips and the principal and proposition to with the intention of examining the ruins of Agrigentium. This was top him to the distribute a his son to the distribute and being the ruins of Agrigentium. This was topping at Girgenti, with the intention of Agrigentium. It is the this, the ruins of Agrigentium. This was topping at Girgenti, with his in 1818, four years topping at Girgenti, with his in 1818, f

rnton looked at his wife hastily. r still with a more livid pallor.

"You could have co-operated with his mother, and done it in her name." "I could not enter the house after being insulted."

"I cand not enter the house after being insulted.":

"You could have written. From what I have heard of Brandon, he was just the man who would interpose to save his

"His son did not wish to be saved. He hard all his father's unflexibility, but an intelect as clear as that of the most practical man. "He had a will of iron, dauntless resolution, and an impleable temper. At the same time he can the open generosity and the tender weart of his father."
"Had his father a tender heart?"

"So tender and affectionate that this sacrifice of his toor must have over whelmed him with the deepest sorrow, "Did you ever after make any alvances to any of them?" No, mever. I never went near the facuse.

"Did you ever wisit any of the county. Thorntoentry to see if something could be govern

gentry to see if something could be done?"

"Mo. It would have been useless. Besides, the very mention of his name would have been resented. I should shave had too fling myself headlong ugainst the feelings of the whole public. And the munchas any right to do that."

"No," said Mrs. Thornton. "No man has. That was another mistake that the martyrs made. They would fling themselves against public opinion."

"All men cannot be martyrs. Besides, the cases are not analogous."

Therefore, It is absurd in me; but I admire one who has for a moment forgotten his own interests or safety in thinking of others."

"That does very well for poetry, but

which are own interests or safety in thinking of others."

"That does very well for poetry, but not in real life, such as that on loard the Tecumsth?" nurmured Mrs. Thornton, with drooping eyelids.

"You are getting excited, my dear," said Thornton patiently, with the air of a wise father who overlooks the petulance of a child. "I will go on. I had business on the Continent when poor Brandon's ruin occurred. You were with me, my dear, at Berlin when I heard about it. I left shocked, but not, surprised. I feared that it would come to that."

You showed no emotion in particu-No. I was careful not to trouble

you. You were in Berlin three months. Was it at the beginning or end of your tray?"

"At the beginning."

"And you stayed."

"I had business which I could not leave."

Would you have been ruined if you

Well, no-not exactly ruined, but it would have entailed serious conse-

quences.

"Would those consequences have been as serious as the Tecumselr tragedy?"

"My dear, in business there are rules which a man is not permitted to neglect. There are duties and obligations which are imperative. The code of honor there are imperative. The code of honor there is as delicate, yet as rigid, as elsewhere."

"And yet there are times when all obligations of this sort are weakened. When friends die, this is recognized. Why should it not be so when they are in danger of a fate worse than death?"

Thornton elevated his eyebrows, and made no reply.

"You must have heard about it in March, then?"

Why so? Surely we used on self-reproach?

"Why so? Surely you are blaming yourself without a shadow of a cause."

"I will tell you why. I dare say I feel unnecessarily on the subject, but I cannot help it. It is a fact that Brandon was always impulsive and culpably care less about himself. It is to this quality strangely enough, that I owe my father strangely enough, that I owe my lather's life, and my own comfort for many years. Paolo also owes as much as I. Mr. Brandon, with a friend of his, was sailing through the Mediterranean in his own yacht, making occasional tours into the country at every place where they hap-

tain of the gnard, and tried to bribe him, but without effect. They found out however, where my father was confined, and resolved upon a desperate plan. They put my mother and Paolo on board of the yacht, and by paying a heavy bribe obtained permission to visit my father in prison. Brandon's fried was about the same tight as my father. When they reached his cell they urged my father to exchange clothes with him and escape. At first he positively refused, but when assured that Brandon's friend, being an Englishman, would be set free in a few days, he consented. Brandon then took him away-unmoticed, put him on board of the yacht, and sailed to Watscilles, where he gave him money enough to get to England, and told him to stop at Brandon Hall till he himself arrived. He then sailed brek to see about him for

friend.

"He found out nothing about him for some time. At last he induced the British ambassador to take the matter in hand, and he did so with such effect that the prisoner was liberated. He had been treated with some severity at first, but he was young and the government was persuaded to look upon it as a youthful freak. Brandon's powerful influence with the British ambassador obtained his unconditional release.
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ad delicate acts of attention from Branm. When in his last sickness Brandon
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then wished to do something for
ito, but Paolo preferred seeking his
n fortune to his own way.

Irs. Thory wended her little narra;
e, to whish despard had listened with
deepelt attention.

Who was Brandon's friend?" asked
pard.

Be was a British officer," said Mrs
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e ws a British officer," said Mrs.

ton. "For fear of dragging in his
affent, and perhaps incurring disfrom the army, he gave an asI name—Mountjoy. This was the
n why Brandon was so long in findim."

g him."
Did your father not know it?"
On the passage Brandon kept it set, and after his friend's deliverance came to see my father under his asmed name. My father always spoke him as Mountjoy, After a time he ard that he was dead."
I can tell you his true name," said r. Thornton, "There is no reason

"What?"
"Lione! Despard—your father, and Ralph Brandon's boson friend."
Despard looked transitized. Mrs. Thornton gazed at her husband, and gave an unutterable look at Despard, then, covering her face with her hands, she burst into an agony of tears.

"My God," cried Despard, passing his hand over his forehead, "my father died when I wasta child, and nobody was ever able to tell me anything about him. And Brandon was his friend. He died thus, and his family have perished thus, while I have known nothing and done nothing."

nothing."

You at least are not to blame," said
Thornton calmly, "for you had scargely
heard of Brandon's name. You were in
the north of England when this happened, and knew nothing whatever
about it."

out it."
That evening Despard went home with deeper trouble in his heart. He was t seen at the Grange for a month. At e end of that time he returned. He had en away to London during the whole turnal.

interval.

As Mrs. Thornton entered to greet him her face was overspread with an expression of radiant joy. He took both her hands in his and pressed them without a word. "Welcome back," she murmured—"you have been gone a long time."

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"Yes, at the end of January. His ruing took place in December, 1845. It was the middle of May before I got home. I then, toward the end of the month, sent my clerk to Brandon village to make enquiries. He brought word of the death of Brandon, and the departure of his family to parts unknown."

"Did he make no particular enquiries?"
"I was alraid of agivating you, my dear."
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business.

"The captain reports a sand bank in the latitude and longitude indicated above, which he names 'Coffin Island,' from a rock of peculiar shape at the eastern extremity. Ships will do well in future to give this place a wide berth." Deep despondency came over Mrs. Thornton's face as she read this. "We can do nothing," said she mournfully. "He is gone. It is better for him. We must now wait the whear more from Paolo. I will write to him at onco."

"And I swill write to my uncle,"

(To be continued)

VELVET COAT.

can be added to a woolen material with-out very appreciably increasing the cost, with the result that the new textures are unusually sich and hands

Silk and wool henrietta is an old stand-by among fine yet serviceable materials, while silk and wool crepons, which are more novel, are seen in immense variety

more novel, are seen in immense variety and are adaptable for almost any use, from a mourning costume to a bell gown.

The bodice of different material from the skirt is having a tremendous vogue. It is frequently made in the scamless style and is trimmed with some sert of flat decorative that does not conceal its scamlessness. Order patterned guipure is suitable for this purpose and forms a most effective trimming over goods of delicate color. The sleeves of the bodice may be like the skirt.

skirt. Applique ornament is the favorite of the hour. It is used on bodices, entire cos-tumes and outside garments. The ap-plique decoration is of cloth velvet and may or may not be outlined with embroid-

The illustration shows an elaborate coat The illustration shows an elaborate coat made of velvet and partially covered with an applique pattern in cloth. The coat is tightly fitting and has an enormous renaissance collar, forming revers. The sleeves are large above the elbow, but tight below it, and the applied motifs decorate the collar, cuffs and basque. A fine braided design follows the outline of the application.

JUDIC CHOLLET

CARE OF THE COMPLEXION. It Is Unsafe to Apply the Same Remedy

to Every Swin. There is no lack of processes and appli-cations that, if half the power claimed for

them were real, would make the ugliest woman on earth as beautiful as a poet's dream, provided she persisted in employ-ing them. This is an exceedingly misleading notion, for no ordinary method of treatment will change the features make a dark complexion fair.

It is possible to clear the skin and make the face fresh and healthy looking, but here the power of cospectics ends. There is a great deal of talk about steaming the face in order to make it beautiful. Some face in order to make it beautiful. Some woman has tried it and finds herself improved, therefore she concludes that it will benefit everybody, whereas the steaming process is absolutely fatal to womer with a deal of color. It brings the blood into the face where there is already too



much surface circulation and is like to cause serious congestion of the tiny od vessels, especially around the normal over the cheek bones.

over the cheek bones.

Treatment of all sorts may be its uses, but it must be specially a fed to the individual. Rubbing the ce with rough towels—indeed friction all sorts—is positively ruinous to when with delicate skin and high color. The pale, sallow, thick skinned wom/, with very little surface circulation, we use some of sallow, thick skinned wom. With very little surface circulation, m, use some of these outside stimulants ossibly to advantage, but even she is kely to end up with a hopelessly conged nose and a network of veins filled the bright blood, a condition that she wild probably give all her earthly possessis to get rid of. It will therefore be see that it is not safe to trust solely to the dictum of makers and venders of cosmics, as those who do so may find them lives very much the worse.

A pretty way of arranging the hair is A pretty way of arranging the hair is shown in today's skitch. The short lecks in front are curled, while the rest of the hair is waved and firawn very loosely to the back of the nek, where it is lightly colled and secured with side combs. The hat is of blue velict, trimmed with mechlin lace, held by a buckle, and black osstrich feathers.

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Popularity of Fancy Walsts Sawn by the Bewildering Variety of tyles.

The casaque, or Lonis XVIjacket, in brocade or very fino fancy chi, is another revival of this season. To basques are joined on by means of a sear below the waist, and very large button imitated from roccoc styles, are used uta these garments. One of them, of woa violet broche velvet, has steel buttoni and is worn with a cloth skirt in the sare shade, which is the most fashlonable tin of the present season. It appears not mly in cloth and velvet, but in flowers, to all ways violets. Poppies and cyclama are to be had in this soft and beautifucolor, which is brighter than the perlinkle blue, which held public taste for soong. Speckled cleths seem to enjoy much voragain, and mohair, an English manfacture, is in considerable dempat. Sil is now so cheap that a large admixture of it now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the now so cheap that a large admixture of the normal server. The normal server is the normal server is the normal server is the normal server. The normal server is the normal server is the normal server is the normal server. The normal server is the normal server is the normal server is the normal server. The normal server is the normal server is the normal server is the normal server. The normal server is the normal server. The normal server is th

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At a meeting of thrimgton Village Counce held last week a lively "sease ensuedover a bill presented by Councilor Colorne for services rendered a connecton with the trucing of the Trasurer celles to Niagura Fails. Dung the argment which usued over the explanation of the tems of the Westland of the Councillor Renton accused Colornes "shielding a crimina" in his control of the case against Nelles. As a cleetions are at hand Councillor cleetings are at hand Councillor an insimilation pass unchilledized and passed a writ grainst Renton in Slander. M. S. F. Washington is sting for Colorne.

EVANGELIST DUNNETT AT T. M. "Strapped" was Evangelist nett's odd topic at the Y. M. Canday afternou. He pixtured terrible condition of many young with are mentally, physically and surely strapped, and gave a suplea for the young men to connect delives with the Y. MI-C. A. and exthemselves along all these lines. M. 130 young men listened to him and a dozen decided to end the old year younging the ways of sin. Mr. J.

renouncing the ways of sin. Mr. Taylor sang two polos and Messr let and fraunt frag a dust. The President of the Minister ciation occupied the chair at t meeting of the association o Messrs. Crossley having a ladies' unive

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