PAUL VANE'S WIFE

CHAPTER L.

Colonel Fairne, pare with emotion, went forward to greet Vivian, whom he was meeting how for the first time sance as fit her aione in the sleng, where he nurried to the chirch to forma the marriage between Paul anev and Loranne. The weeks of niness that had prostrated him immediately at Arcady almost biotted preceding events from his mind, and when he recovered health nemory it was to find himself ten deny watened over by the tearful oid airs. Lists, who was in despair over ail the happenings since her granddaugnter's marriage.

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Paul Vane and his guilty bride had fled from Aready the same night that Avian had surprised them in the conservatory. They had gone abroad, and their haste and secrety had been a tendays' wonder, until the truth leaked out through Beryl Meadow's letters to her friend, Josie Thornton, at Aready, Vivian Vane was alive; she had been to Aready, and Paul Vane and his new wife had disowned and spurned her from their presence. The hapless wife, alone and homeless, had wandered out again in the night and the storm, where she would have perished had not Willie Benners rescued her when she had dropped down to die in the cruel snow.

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The first day that Colonel Fairlie could sit up in the easy chair and receive company, he had heard the whole story from warm-hearted Josie Thornstory from warm-hearted Josie Thorn-ton, who had remained after all the oth-er guests had gone to comfort Mrs. Lisie, and share her vigils over the sick man, for Colonel Fairlie, after swallow-ing Loraine's powder and experiencing fro mit such strangely exhilarating ef-fects, had relapsed into so low and weak a condition that it was weeks ere the physician had pronounced him out of danger.

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danger.

When Josie had told him that harrowing story of a weak man's perfdiy and a wicked woman's love he stared at her in blank despair. He could not find words to express his indignation.

"He disowned that angelic wife, threw her off for that beautiful fiend! What punishment can be too great for such a wretch?" cried Josie. But he looked at her in awful silence; he had on answer to make. His lips were vivid, his eyes blazing with wrath.

Josie went hurriedly and brought a glass of wine. She forced the reviving inquid between his writhing lips.

"Drink this," she cried, "You frightean me, Colonel Fairlie, with your awful looks. Tell me that I have not made you ill again with my chatter."

He drank the wine, and it renewed the strength in his failing pulses.

"I will follow the runaways. I will shame them into doing justice to Mrs. Vane!" he cried, hotly, "Loraine must give him up; he must return to his first wife!"

"I should not take him back, if I were Mrs. Vane!" cried Josie, spirited-

ly.
"But she is an angel; she will forgive him. I have heard that there is almost no limit to a wife's love and forgiveness," Eugene Fairlie answered, revenely. A vision rose before him of Vivian as he had seen her at the window of the Morley cottage with her lovely, spirituelle face and large, sightless eyes.

"Poor little one! To think of her oming back to sight and reason, after uch a weary death in life as that, to such a fate!" he ground; and he repeated: "I will follow them—

again repeated: "I will follow them—I will shame them into repentance?"

No one tried to dissuade him. Grandmere Lisle prayed that his mission might be successful, and sent messages of love and imploring to the willful. girl who had utterly ignored every home-tie since her disgraceful flight.

Colonel Fairlie had just returned from his hasty, unsuccessful trip across the sea, and his first visit was mode to the young poet his dearest friend. He knew that he ald hear through him the first news Vivian Vane. The Meadows family d on the same street as Willie Beners, and it was quite natural he should ee them often when one took into con-ideration his fancy for a certain pair f sunny blue eves of sunny blue eyes

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"They are expecting Miss Point to arrive from Virginia to-day with Mrs.
Vane," he said; and his friend's impa-

"Let us go to her," he said eagerly.

"You will not tell her that you have just returned from an unsucessful visit to her craven husband?" Willie Benners exclaimed, anxiously.

"No! I would not break her heart. She shall never hear from me how Paul Vane worships the beautiful, wicked woman who has stolen his heart from his wife," Colonel Fáirlie replied; and a minute later he added: "If only one could foresee the future, how different life might be! You remember, Will, how that siren once loved me? It was angry pique at my scarcely veiled indifference to her charms, and resentment at my admiration for Mrs. Vane. that first turned her thoughts to Paul Vane. Strange that she should have received such a passion for him that it blotted out everything else but his love. Could I only have known what would happen I might have saved poor Vivian all this sorrow."

The poet's bright, dark eyes turned inquiringly toward Colonel Fairlie.

"I would have married the heiress while she was in love with me," Fairlie said.
"But you despised her—you were at times actually cruel to her, so keen were your sarcasms."

"Yes, I despised her, cruel coquette that she was. Yet I would have sacri-ficed myself to save that fair young girl

"How much you feel for Mrs. Vane!" said Willie Benners, almost awed at the holy light of self-sacrifice in the soldier's splendid brown eyes.

"You are right," said Eugene Fairlie. His dark, handsome face was almost transfigured with the glow of emotion reflected from his heart. He looked at his friend in silence a moment, as if in indecision, then said, huskilt.

"Willie, keep this cruel secret of mine deep buried in your noble breast;" love Mrs. Vane. Since the first hour that I met her I have known that she was the one woman on earth for me—the one woman I could have loved and married had I met her will she was yet free. Loraine, in her jealousy, suspected this—taxed me with it. In her fury she swore she would flirt with Paul Vane to punish the young wife for winning my definition as admiration, of which. swore she would lift with raul vane to punish the young wife for winning my admiration—an admiration of which I am sure, the lovely Vivian was uncon-scious. Well, she succeeded, that beau-tiful fiends but in wrecking Mrs. Vane's life she brought down destruction on her own. She cannot always hold Vane's heart by her siren smile. A re-

action must come some day. His manhood will assert itself. He will forsake her for his first pure love. Then think of the hell in which Loraine must live!"

"Talk of your Caesars and your Napoleons, Love is the most cruel tyrant that ever reigned over the world!" exclaimed Willie Benners. "Look at this rangnificent woman, Loraine Lisle, how she has flung away everything of value in this world for the sake of this unhallowed passion."

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"And glories in her shame," said Colonel Fairlie. "I have seen here, I have stood face to face with her, and told her what a sinner she was, begged her to give up her claim upon Paul Vane and send him back to his first wife. How she laughed at me as she stood in the garden of the old Italian villa under the odrorus lime trees. She clung to him—to that handsome, perjured Paul Vane; and when I saw how he drank in the adoration of her splendid, luring black eyes, I no longer wondered why Antony lost the world for Cleopatran's dazzling smile. All appeal to either was useless. They persisted in denying Vivian's identity, What was there for me but to come away and try to find her—to see if by any sacrifice I could put one spark of brightness into her desolate life."
"You will find it impossible to do so, I fear. Miss Point urged her to secure a divorce from her cruel husband, and break forever from the cruel past; but she absolutely declines to entertain the idea. My own fear is that she may die of heart-break," answered the romantic young poet, sadly; but Colonel Fairlie shook his head.
"Few people die of heart-break," he said. "Human nature can endure much, and one of our most gifted poets has truly written: "The heart may break, yet brokenly

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"The heart may break, yet brokenly

live on."
"Well, let us go and see if Mrs. Vane as arrived," said the poet; and as the wo handsome men in their long, furrimmed winter overcoats walked along the street, in the interval.

and its pain.

He clasped tightly the slender white hand on which the wedding ring hung so loosely that he wondered why she did not lose it or throw it aside in scorn. He murmured some low words of greeting to her, but he was so agitated that he could never afterward recall what he

and that followed us for miles. All this time she has been lost to me. To-day I found her again! Tell him the whole story, dear Aunt Sarah!" cried Vivian, leaning back in her chair, pale and faint with emotion

Never were more earnest - listeners than Colonel Fairlie and Willie Benners, never more sincere congratulations than they showered on the fair young crea-ture into whose darkened life had come

ture into whose darkened life had come this gleam of golden sunshine. "It will save your heart from break-ing," Colonel Fairlie said to her, tender-ly. "Oh, I thank God that you found little Star!" And when he relinquished the white hand, that Willie Benners in the white hand, that Willie Benners in turn might express his joy, he took the little one fondly into his arms and kissed the rosebud face many times, while he prayed God in silence that she might be a comfort to Vivian's darkened life. Suddenly Vivian turned to him and asked with a sudden compression of her beautiful lips: "Do you know where my husband is now?"

"He is in Italy, where he has taken a cautiful villa on the Arno."
"With her—with Loraine?" she asked, or cheeks whitening; and he was com-

"I am going to him. I am going to my husband with the little child for whose coming he looked so eagerly," said Vivian.

They stared at her in consternation, and several voices exclaimed, simultan-

and several voices exclaimed, simultaneously:
"No! no!"
She did not heed them; she looked eagerly at her kind friend, Aunt Sarah.
"Dear Aunt Sarah, you promised to take poor, friendless Vivian to your heart as your adopted child," she said, "You will prove your love now, will you not? You will take Star and me to Italy, that I may place my child in her father's arms?"
"You cannot mean that you will take Star from us, Mrs. Vane—that you will give her to that wretch?" Beryl cried, indignantly, clasping Star to her breast as if she would never let her go again. Vivian turned to her with a strange smile.
"We will take Paul away from these."

smile.
"We will take Paul away from thatwoman, dear Beryl," she said.
"But he denied your claim, dear," reminded the young girl, gently.

"He will not deny us both, Beryl. He cannot be so cruel. When I kneel before him with this child in my arms, when she speaks to him in a voice so like his own that it startled me when it first fell on my ears, when she looks at him with eyes so like his own, how can he deny his child, how can he deny his child, how can he deny his child, how can he deny he canne upon him so suddenly before that he was dazed, bewildered; he let her passion dominate his judgment. It will be different now. He has had time to reflect. He knows that all our friends have accepted me as Vivian Vane, that no one his disowned me but himsel and Loraine. He will repent, he will take us to his heart—his wife and child!"

They gazed at her in silence. No one uttered a word of dissent. They were carried away by the resistless eloquence of her looks and words. They asked themselves if her reasoning might not be right.

be right.

(To be continued.) BRITISH MURDER MYSTERY.

Entire Family, Including Two Servants,

Shot to Death. London, Feb. 9. — The little Buckingham village of Fawley was shocked to-day by the discovery of a quintuple murder. The scene of the tragedy was the residence of F. H. Honnes, who was known to be wealthy.

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A gardener who was working outside the house, alarmed at its unusual quietness so late in the morning, entered and found successively the bodies of two women servants, Mrs. Holmes and her daughter, all lying in bed in different rooms. Each had been shot in the head. Later the body of Mr. Holmes was found in a nearby wood. He, too, had been a nearby wood. He, too, had been shot in the head. Whether he committed suicide or not is a mystery

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Thos. Foster Suffered From Starvation

for 58 Hours. has arrived, said the poet; and as the two handsome men in their long, further through the street in the icy March wind, more than one pair of feminine eyes looked back admiringly, though without eliciting a glance in return; for the soldier's thoughts were full of Mrs. Vane, and impulsive Willie Benners was dreaming of Beryl's shy blue eyes that drooped so quickly when they met his ardent gaze.

"How sweet and shy she is! I wonder if she returns my love, this blushing rosebud of a girl?" he thought, tenderly, making up his mind that he would soon put it to the test by asking her, for he was growing impatient of suspense. So it happened that they arrived at the house just after Miss Point and Mrs. Vane had come, and just as Vivian was embracing little Star, her strangely rescued child.

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Vivian rose quickly, with the child in her arms, and met Colonel Fairlie with a smile of eager welcome.

"Dear friend!" she cried, impulsively, and raised her heautiful eyes to his facewith such a light of tenderness in their blue depths that his heart beat wildly. She called him her friend with a heart to be in her voice, and her sweet eyes looked into his with such frank joy that he knew sale held him dear as a friend and brother. How much that was to this loyal heart that, thrilling with a love it could not conquer, kept the moble seal of silence on its passion and its pain.

He clasped tightly the slender white hand on which the weedling ring hung the street in the college and according to the doctor who had since the replied that he couldn't afford to do hat, as his two sons would be able to do all the work that was necessary. He had a little money saved up, which he add twenty-five cents left last Monady, and twenty-five cents left las Toronto, Feb. 10.—After being fifty

FORCED WAY THROUGH DRIFTS.

P. R. Plow, With Three Engines

He murmured some low words of greeting to her, but he was so agitated that he could never afterward recall what he said to her at that moment. It must have been sympathetic, for she murmured, faintly:

"You know all?"

"All, Mrs. Vane: but let us hope everything will come right soon," he resplied, with a cheerfulness he did not feeel. They sat down, and little Startimendiately slipped down from her mother's lap and toddled over to the young poet, with whom she was a prime of this pockets for candy.

"Vivian looked at the child and then at Colonel Fairlie, her red lips parting in a sweet and happy smile.

"There is one thing you do not know yet," she said. "The little one is mine.

She was born that day while I drifted between earth and sky in the sinking balloon, and she was stolen from me by the fierce eagle that attacked you and that followed us for miles. All this time she has been lost to me. To-day I for the between the power of the process of the same of the process of the

Berlin, Germany, Feb. 8.—The Kaiser has directed that the semi-precious stones from the Lake Superior mines, the gift of James G. Stokes, a New York millionaire, be formally accepted. They fill five packing cases and were first exhibited on the Kaiser's birthday anniversary. His majesty was delighted first exhibited on the Kaiser's birthday anniversary. His majesty was delighted with the beauty of the varied display of agates and similar stones, and order-ed them sent to Potsdam, where they will form part of the decorations in the famous shell room of the new palace.

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ground Railways.

London, Feb. 9.— The directors of the London underground and tube railroads are baffled in an endeavor to find an explanation of the falling off in traffic. As the surface systems, trams and busese make the same complaint, competition does not seem a sufficient explanation. During the past six months the twopenny tube has carried over 350,000 workmen less, though workingmen are carried six miles for a penny. During the same six months the total decrease in the passengers in London was 13,000,000. of Belgium. MRS. J. P. MORGAN ROBBED.

Galverston, Texas, Feb. 9. —Mrs. J. P. Morgan, of New York, who is en route to Los Angeles, was robbed somewhere in Texas before reaching El Paso. She is travelling in her private car with Mrs. J. N. Nappen, of Providence, R. I., and Mrs. J. Meredith, of New York, as her guests. The car was entered and robbed of several thousand dollare, worth of jewelry and valuables, and a large sum of money.

Private Car Was Entered and Valuable

Taken.

ELFRIDA

The severe cold weather and heavy snowstorms have prevented from attending the revival meetings, which are being held in the Methodist

While Mr. John and Will Tossell weron their way to Hamilton last Wednes day one of their horses dropped dead.

Smith Telker gave a party to histinends last Monday evening. They report having a very good time.

Quite a number from this village at tended the funeral of Mrs. P. Hender shot of Stoney Creek, on Tuesday last

LONDON IS WALKING.

Huge Falling Off in Traffic of Under-

ground Railways.

CHIEF OF THE BLACK HAND He is Believed to Have Been Killed in New York.

New York, Feb. 9.—Coly Calcagno, an Italian barber, who was shot to death in East 106th street last Monday, may have been the leader of the Blackhand organization in the United States. Detective William H. Atkinson, of Baltimore, after seeing the body yesterday, said he was convinced the dead man was the chief of the Blackhand in this country. Calcagno

was not his real name, Atkinson said.

He is convinced, however, that the body is that of the man who, when known as the leader of the Blackhand organization, dynamited a house in Baltimore several years ago, and at that time was being sought on a charge of having shot and killed a prominent man in Pittsburg. The local Italian detective bureau will make an effort to verify the identification.

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Corry, Pa. Corry, Pa., Feb. 9.—The authorities have decided that Albert L. Damon and Eliza Damon, whose bodies were found yesterday, were murdered with a blunt instrument.

Damon's nose and his sister's nose Damon's nose and his sister's nose were broken, and other bones were fractured. When the bodies were found yesterday a prussic acid phial found on the bed seemed to point to a suicide pact, and investigations were made along that direction first.

An inquest will be held to-morrow. Damon was 69 years of age, and his sister was 71 years.

sister was 71 years KING LEOPOLD NOT SANE. Critical Situation Confronts the Ministry

sels, Feb. 9.—There are indications Brussels, Feb. 9.—There are indications that the Government may soon have to deal with a difficult problem in regard to King Leopold. Its nature may be indicated by the remark made by a member of the Cabinet yesterday in the lobby of the Chamber of Deputies. He said: "The King is no longer in a normal condition of mind."

Signs of mental breakdown of Leopold have been noticeable for several months.

Lascars Burn Soldier Alive.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 9.—Mail advices received to-day from Hong Kong say that the provost sergeant on the transport Sicilia, which took the Cameron Highlanders to Hong Kong, was murdered by the Lascar sailors, who burned him alive in a furnace of the steam-

Died at Party.

Ridgetown, Feb. 9.—John Warters, sen., passed away suddenly while at-tending a party at the residence of his son, John Walters, jun. He was 67 years of age.

32 degrees Fahrenheit, and is a substance that changes temperature reluctantly, being a poor conductor of heat or cold. Consequently, says the National Pro-visioner, when zero weather prevails outprevent the escape of heat; in other words they maintain the temperature within the car.

He was 67 years of age.

Major Alanson W. Edwards, until a couple of years ago United States Co. St