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"And Mr. Douglas?" he asked, looking keenly into her face.
"He is dead!" said Lettie impulsively. Then her face blanched to marble pallor. "Oh, no, no, Tracy, I did not mean that!" she cried. "I mean, he did not die. He is better, much better, and although he cannot come himself, he says he can spare Dawn."

She gave a slight shudder as she spoke, thinking of her victims—one lying down under the deep water of the lily pond, the others dead in the woods by the axe and knife of the black stable hand whom she had bribed to do her deadly work.
Then she drew him away to a quiet bay window, where she could not be overheard, and said, with bitter resentment:
"For heaven's sake, do not look so black and miserable. One would think you were going to be hanged instead of being married to a pretty girl who can endow you with Cedarhurst and a fortune."
He replied with desperate frankness:
"Heaven knows, Aurora, I would as soon be hanged as take Cedarhurst, the fortune, or the bride, only to save my parents from the disgrace that must otherwise fall upon their gray heads."

She clinched her hands and her handsome face darkened with futile rage.
"You are frank and chivalrous, sir," she said, in impotent wrath, and a flush of shame rose over his face.
"I spoke hastily, I beg your pardon, Aurora," he replied, sighing. "But you know, you have known all along, that my heart was not in this marriage. I paused, but his lip and became silent."
"Go on," she said sharply, studying with fierce eyes the dark, sad, downcast face.
He looked up and answered impulsively:
"I was going to say that if I thought it would be of any use I would plead with you for mercy—mercy for my erring parents, and for myself, their unhappy son, for whom they sinned. Oh, Aurora, is there no other way for me to expiate their crime than by this fatal marriage?"

If glances could have killed, the flash of her furious eyes would have laid him dead at her feet. She answered, coarsely, with concentrated passion:
"No, there is no other way, I am quite determined to become your wife," if for no other purpose than to punish Dawn Douglas and you for your cruel treatment of me! Ha, ha, she loves you, you know, and it will break her heart when I become your wife!"

There was a strange, wild gleam in her eyes that startled him. She clung to his arm, and whispered, frantically:
"For God's sake, give me your love, Tracy, or I shall go mad!"
With an expression of disgust he disengaged himself from her clasp, and replied:
"You are mad, indeed, to dream of such an impossibility as winning my heart, Aurora. I shall never love any one but Dawn Douglas while life lasts. It is as well for you to understand this now, for you have caused the irrevocable plunge that binds your warm heart to one that will ever be cold to you as Alpine snows."

"I will take the risk," she answered, eagerly. "If I cannot have your love, I can punish you by making you miserable in return for the cruel wrongs you have said to me today; and with eyes blazing with fury, she swept away to her own room to begin her wedding toilet, leaving Tracy staring like a statue of despair beside the window."

CHAPTER LIII.
When the morning broke and the physician assured Mr. Tempest that his wife was better, the thoughts of the unhappy man returned to the fellow-creature whom he had saved last night, and he felt curious over his welfare. Yet, not daring to approach so exciting a subject to his frail wife, and seeing how she clung to him, uneasy if he left the room for a moment, he hardly knew how to satisfy his mind on the subject of his anxiety. At length he wrote a note of inquiry to the gatekeeper and dispatched it by a messenger.

Wilkins replied to the note in person and was admitted to a little ante-room near that of the invalid. There Mr. Tempest came to him for a hasty moment.
He learned from Wilkins that the rescued man had lain in a heavy stupor most of the time without answering any questions addressed to him, seeming too much exhausted for speech, although the physician had done everything possible for him. His name they had not discovered, but supposed he was a rich

man from the fineness of his clothing, elegance of his watch, ring and pin, and his glib tongue.
Mr. Tempest promised to reward the gatekeeper richly for his care of the stranger, and dismissed him, promising to come at the earliest possible moment to see his charge.
Then he returned to the nervous invalid, whose large eyes were already fastened eagerly upon the door, watching for his return.

"You are weary and tired, dear," she whispered. "Go into my dressing-room and lie down and sleep. I shall do very well with my maid and Mrs. De Nevarre, who is going to sit with me awhile."
He did not know how weary he was until he flung himself heavily upon the luxurious sofa in the darkened dressing-room, but a deep, refreshing slumber came to him that lasted far into the afternoon.
When he roused himself at last and went back to his wife he was surprised to find how late it was. She was asleep and a faint, delicate color lay upon her thin face. Suddenly she awakened and gave him a sweet smile.
"Oh, my dear, I have been dreaming such happy dreams," she murmured, when she found herself alone with him. "I dreamed that all our sorrows had fallen from us and that Aurora Douglas was gone away and that our Tracy was married to the beautiful Dawn."

"Ah, if it might only come true—that glorious dream!" he sighed.
A little later he went down to mingle with the wedding guests, who all expressed lively regret that dear Mrs. Tempest was too unwell to leave her bed and consequently could not witness her son's marriage.
They tried to amuse the bride had already gone to her room to dress, and that Mrs. Douglas and Miss Dawn Douglas were momentarily expected to arrive.
He looked out and saw that twilight had fallen, and realized that it lacked but an hour to the time set for the ceremony.
Then someone came to tell him that Wilkins, the gatekeeper, was asking for him and would not be denied.
Mr. Tempest went hastily to the man and found him nervous and excited.
"Oh, sir, will you please come to that sick man if only for one minute? He's come to himself and talking so strange," he said.
"It lacks but an hour to my son's marriage, but I will go," he said, running down the steps by Wilkins' side. As they started off briskly, side by side, he inquired: "Have you learned the stranger's name?"
"Oh, sir, I'm afraid the man's crazy, he's talking such wild stuff. He declares that he is Mr. Carl Douglas, the missing husband of Mrs. Virginia Douglas. He wanted me to send up to Cedarhurst for her and that pretty Miss Dawn, and when I told him about the telegram that called them away he fairly flew wild. He swore he had sent any telegram, and that it was a plot against their lives by the same bad woman that pushed him into the water."

"And that woman?" Mr. Tempest breathed, hoarsely.
"Oh, Mr. Tempest, that's the strangest part of it all. He declares it's Miss Aurora Douglas, the young lady that's going to marry your son tonight. He cursed her in his fury, and swore she was old Jarvis' own daughter, and that the other one, Miss Dawn Douglas, was the heiress of Cedarhurst, and he vows that the marriage must not come off tonight."

[To be Continued.]

NOT ALL GOLD THAT GLITTERS

Gloomy Outlook for Cape Nome Gold Hunters.

Washington, D. C., July 11.—A report has been received at the treasury department from Capt. Roberts, commanding the revenue cutter Manning, dated Dutch Harbor, Alaska, June 23, 1900, showing a situation at Cape Nome which the officials fear may result in great suffering during the coming winter among the crowds that are now flocking to the new goldfields.
Capt. Roberts says: "The steamer Luella, of San Francisco (P. Miller, master), came in from Nome with a clean bill of health, and confirms the report that smallpox cases were found on board the steamers Ohio and Santa Ana, which have been sent to Egg Island, off St. Michaels, for detention in quarantine. Dr. Call, recently of our service, has been appointed quarantine officer by the authorities. Capt. Miller informs me that there are no cases of smallpox ashore, but that nearly everyone expects an epidemic of typhoid fever. There are, he believes, 10,000 people on the beach, with no prospect of securing a paying claim or of obtaining employment outside of mechanics, such as carpenters, builders, etc. It appears impossible for the vast throng that has been and is being thrown into Nome by the numerous transportation companies, which use every means possible to induce travel to the Cape Nome fields, to find mines or work. Many of these people have but little above their passage money and outfits, and depend upon finding gold to keep them going after landing. It is the opinion of those from the mining district of Nome and vicinity, from whom I have sought information, that a large number of people will be stranded before the end of the season, with no means of getting to the country without assistance from some source. The revenue cutters, crowded to their utmost, could take but a small fraction of the number, and the problem of how they will relieve the rigors of an Arctic winter is one that requires serious attention."

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SNOW EIGHT FEET IN DEPTH

Early and Severe Winter in New South Wales.

Safe Arrival of Gov. Hodgson and His Party at Cape Coast Castle.

FRENCH TROOPS FOR CHINA.
Toulon, July 11.—The French troopship Aquitaine has sailed from this port with 850 infantry soldiers and artillery for China.

SAFETY OF ASHANTI'S GOVERNOR.
London, July 11.—The Daily Mail's Accra correspondent, telegraphing July 10, says: Frederick Mitchell Hodgson, Governor of the Gold Coast Colony, and his wife arrived at Cape Coast Castle today. The remainder of the party is expected tomorrow.

DINED WITH THE QUEEN.
London, July 11.—Lord Salisbury, United States Ambassador Choate and Mrs. Choate and a few others dined Monday evening with the Queen at Windsor Castle. Her Majesty will come to London July 11 to attend the garden party at Buckingham Palace.

SNOW EIGHT FEET DEEP.
Sydney, N. S. W., July 11.—An unusually early winter, with floods of unprecedented severity, is causing great loss throughout this colony. Telegraphic communication is interrupted, train-loads of passengers are snow-bound and freight traffic is paralyzed. In many parts of the country snow stands eight feet deep.

HOLE IN THE PLATFORM.
London, July 11.—The Times' New York correspondent is very severe to-day upon the Democratic platform, in which it is stated that the American people shall ever be held in unwilling subjection to European authority. That, says The Times' correspondent, is a direct invitation to any seditious Canadian minority which may at any time seek an outlet for its discontent.

SUBMARINE VOLCANO.
London, July 11.—A dispatch to the Times from Sydney, New South Wales, says that while the cruiser Ringarooma was practicing off the New Hebrides, she lost a torpedo. Three divers attempted to descend to recover the torpedo, but they encountered an active submarine volcano. The water below the surface was boiling. The men, mired from their ears and noses, and their diving suits were injured by the heat.

AMERICANIZE STRATFORD-ON-AVON.
London, July 11.—The number of American visitors at Stratford-on-Avon this year is far greater than ever, and in fact, the town has become so American that one of the largest hotels has purchased an American ice chest and imported a barkeeper to make cocktails. The ingredients of which a local guide describes as consisting of chain lightning, vitriol and bits of broken glass. The Americans, so the guides claim, all are bent on writing their names on the wall of Shakespeare's home, and especially on the window which bears Sir Walter Scott's autograph. Many also ask to be allowed to lie upon Anne Hathaway's rush mattress.

A FAMOUS BOY.
London, July 11.—Fame and fortune came to Kubelik, the wonderful boy violinist, almost in a day. A month ago he was unknown, outside of a coterie of musical enthusiasts, and now he is playing to immense audiences. He has been sent for by the Queen and commands enormous prices for his services.

Saturday Kubelik was offered \$525 to appear at the reception of a well-known Populism, but he refused unless he was given twice the price.
Already over 1,000 engagements are booked for the youthful star in America and on the continent. The boy's parents are quite poor and his fortune will fall into worthy hands.

THE POWERS AND CHINA.
Berlin, July 11.—Regarding the attitude of the powers toward China, an official said that the conference has been monotonous, and that the harmony just now is standing the first serious test, namely, the sending to China of another Japanese division—an increase which especially welcomed. "There is now," the official added, "no objection to the landing of forces by any of the allied powers, if they only hasten their arrival."

The British Charge D'Affaires, Lord Gough, said in a representative of the Associated Press: "The powers have now engaged in a new interchange of views regarding Japan's most recent inquiry, but each power has answered for itself. The powers are not in a hurry to formulate a more remote plan of political action in China, as the first thing necessary is the relief of Peking."

PARTNER SHOT HIM.
New York, July 11.—John Maags, 51 years old, of Hoboken, N. J., a manufacturer of upholsteries, was shot through the breast yesterday by his partner, Peter Stelward. The men had quarrelled over business affairs. Maags' wound is probably fatal.

NINE PERSONS POISONED.
Little Rock, Ark., July 10.—An entire family of nine persons died today near Calico Rock, Marion county, from eating poisonous toadstools, mistaking them for mushrooms. The family ate a hearty dinner, which included the supposed mushrooms. All were violently ill, and none recovered.

MARRIAGE OF A PRIEST.
Worcester, Mass., July 11.—Rev. J. Arthur Coutlee, a priest of the Roman Catholic Church, and Miss Georgiana Carrier, formerly a school teacher in Ontario, Canada, who eluded her parents and came 500 miles, were married by Rev. Arthur St. James in the Beacon Street French Baptist Church here last night. A surging crowd filled the street, and crowded the edifice during the ceremony.

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The Most Promising Actor on the English Stage—Clement Scott's Opinion.

Writing of the death of Franklin McLeay, the young Canadian actor, Clement Scott says:
"He was the most promising actor on the English stage, and would soon have taken the first rank in Shakespearean and romantic drama. The place was his by right of genius and attainment, and it was almost within his grasp when he passed away. He was a graduate of Toronto University, a profound Greek scholar, and a professor of elocution."
"He was discovered there in Canada by Wilson Barrett, and was by him tempted to leave the classics for the stage, and as was to have been expected, his first appearance was with Barrett. His best success was as Nero in 'The Sign of the Cross,' where his work was superb. Grace Warner was in the same company, and played the part of Poppea with almost equal success."
"Naturally, this gifted couple, being so close together, fell in love and were married. That was scarcely eighteen months ago. I was present at the ceremony, and never have I seen a more or more perfectly mated couple. Both were in the prime of health, youth and beauty, and we all looked forward to the day when they would have a theater of their own, like their famous predecessors, the Kembles, the Charles Kean, who were actors first and archaeologists afterward."

"The young Canadian's dramatic success grew and increased greatly under Barrett's training. He was a brilliant hit as Cassius and Hubert, and his performance as Derick in 'Rip Van Winkle' was the best thing in the play."
"It was his tremendous energy which killed him. He was never weary with well doing. He worked at the Canadian benefit night and day like a horse. He was rehearsing and attending committee meetings all the day-long hours, and acting and writing letters all the night. It was work, always work, and much of it for others, and without hope of reward."

"The last time I saw my dear friend I implored him to take care of his health. He was then bitterly indignant at the statement made in some of the London papers that Ottawa did not want a benefit, and that the money obtained would go to local improvements. He broke down to the verge of tears in my house, for he felt that the public would, because of these stories, cruelly misjudge and misunderstand him."
"This brave young fellow was only 30 years old when he died. He knew he had overtaxed his strength, but he went on working. Then came brain fever, unconsciousness and premature death."

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