from his burts and the drugs adminis

tered that Arthur could be convinced

but the phantom of a disordered imag-

Neither the coachman nor the groom

tered, insensible form on a stretcher.

and Durand. The conspirators decided

A passing auto coming in the same

the occupants called to the driver and

the tallyho party that there was a man

"He looks like a tough customer, too!"

The groom on the rear seat looked down and ordered the tough looking

customer to get off. The tough looking

customer was Luke Lovell, who had

ome back to Los Angeles sullenly de-

termined to make an asset of his secret

and blackmail either Arthur Stanley

Luke Lovell growled a curse back at the groom and held on. The coachman

with practiced dexterity lashed the

whip back of the coach at a signal

from the groom. The thong cut Luke across the face twice before he could shield himself. But again and again

the lash cut and stung him cruelly on

neck and shoulders, and despite his

hardihood and determination to stand

the onslaught Luke was compelled to

let go and drop off. He limped to the sidewalk of the quiet suburban resi-

dence street and sat in the shade of a

Near him a leaking fire hydrant trick-

led. Luke mopped his brow and the

burning cuts across his face with the

ooling water. The pain slowly subsid-

There, far off down the street, but

yet distinct to the keen eyes of the

gypsy, were two figures plodding by

a pony piano cart, two figures he knew

as well as he knew his own-Esther

Old emotions, old fealties stirred in

Luke Lovell at the sight. Esther,

daughter of Hagar, the queen of the

gypsies; Esther, whom he had always

ing-she was not for him. Luke knew

that. But yet there stirred in him the

old sense of affection and mingled with

it a sense of shame. Bad as the brute gypsy was there had always been some

thing fine and tender in his regard for

Esther. To injure her had been no part of all his wild plans to make mer-

was the Stanley secret-and Hagar's.

Luke's mental processes were slov

but he was quick to realize he had best

have time to think of how he should

meet with Esther again did he wis

to regain her confidence, as he nov

Luke Lovell rose from the curb even

while cogitating upon these things and concealed himself behind the tree. But

he could have stood plain upon the side

walk for all he would have been seen

for Esther and Quabba, their head

azed upon with pride and a dull long-

ed, and Luke looked about him.

added the driver of the car.

or Blair, preferably both.

tree by the curb.

and Quabba.

to return home.

on behind.



### Great Open-Air Theatre.

Paris, March 20 .- In excavating for opening up of the ancient arena Lutece in the Rue Monge on the bank of the Seine, a deep gallery ning parallel to the Seine and ed with stone has been discovered the engineers in charge are now pied in exploring it. The work y at this part. When they are fin-ed Paris will possess an open-air atre capable of accommodating these excavations is going on actie than 10,000 spectators and prowith a stage 100 yards long, to ch an open square will add a marus decoration. It will be the reuction of the Gallo-Roman circus the very place where the inhabit ancient Lutece formerly witsed the combats of gladiators and

### Ransom Paid in Tapestry.

One of the titles given to Belgium "The Land of the Loom," for it there in the ninth century that Oriental art became established in grope. In his book, "Belgium: The and of Art," Mr. W. E. Griffis

Pictured hanging of linen, wool, silk opened commentaries on the iptures and the classics, became ks for the illiterate, told fairy tales the children, served as manuals of al comfort, and brought the textile manufacture of tapestries came the East, where it en practised by the Moors and racens; the first imitation by the gian-or Flemish-craftsmen was ide enough. Gradually, however, rough skill and care the imitators came originators. The best artists o-operated with the weavers to prothe Orient. Painters of the very ghest rank, even Raphael and Michngelo, were glad to draw cartoons or those who could transform the lack and white designs into glorious

olours in wool or silk.
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TERS.

A feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley, over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, found in a fallen meteor by an ancestor. Also, the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American. When a daughter is born to the colonel and the mother dies the colonel buys a gypsy boy and substitutes him. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the girl, Esther, reared in secret, and leaves her son undetected as the heir. The gypsy has obtained possession of the diamond from the sky, and a document with the Stanley secret. Years later Hagar, gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with Esther. Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's friend, adopts Esther. Arthur Stanley, son of Hagar, falls in love with Esther, and so does his companion and cousin. Blair Stanley, rightful male heir of Stanley. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor and rules later to put the blame on Arthur, who takes the gem. Arthur Stanley eludes his pursuers and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and upbraids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. At a ball, at which an adventures, Vivian Marston, wears the borrowed gem, Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, steals the diamond. Arthur leaves Richmond and goes to the west. Quabba, organ grinder, befriends Esther. Hagar takes Esther to Stanley hall.

Tom Blake, a detective of Richmond, who is hired by Hagar, produces finger prints convicting Blair. Hagar proposes silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Hagar's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Ha-

silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Hagar's and Esther's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the finger prints, leaving the gypsy queen demented. Marmaduke Smythe, lawyer, arrives to announce Arthur is heir to the deceased Earl of Stanley. Learning Arthur is a fugitive he seeks Blair instead. To wip Vivian, Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Their train is robbed, Vivian losing the diamond, which a slain train robber drops in the desert. The \$100,000 he stole is found by Arthur, now known as John Powell, sheep herder, Vivian deserts Blair, telling him he must regain the diamond for her. Luke Lovell, driven from the camp after learning Hagar's secret, leaves to seek Blair. Hagar is under treatment and Esther is in Richmond society. Abe Bloom, gambler, knows Blair's guilt and covets the diamond. He calls it the price of his secrecy.

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The diamond is later picked up by an Indian woman. Dr. Lee, Arthur learns, died of heart disease. Becoming very rich he buys Stanley hall, sold at auction, through Blake, and also provides for Hagar and Esther. Luke Lovell buys the diagram of the state of the sound but loses it in a

through Blake, and also provides for Hagar and Esther. Luke Lovell buys the diamond from the squaw, but loses it in a fight. Vivian, desiring aid to ensnare Arthur, sends for Blair.

Esther and Quabba, also Blair, go to the California mines to seek Arthur. Smythe is sent west by Blake. Vivian Marston is saved from drowning by Powell, who is infatuated by her. Smythe finds the diamond and gives it to Esther to deliver to Arthur. Blair and Luke go to the yacht and find Esther there.

Esther and Quabba escape while Blair and Luke battle. Blair in the meantime has joined Vivian in Los Angeles. Durand, "king of diamonds," a crook known to Vivian, goes to a saloon to try to discover the diamond. There he meets Luke Lovell. Esther and Arthur appear on the scene. The diamond is lost in a melee. Esther saves Arthur, who is injured, and he goes to Los Angeles in care of the physician-crook, Durand. Esther foliows and is refused admittance to see him. In the meantime Smythe has hid the diamond in a tree. It is later found by two bill posters, one of whom murders the other for the diamond. Arthur is "doped" by Durand, De Vaux and Vivian, although Blair, who has taken charge of Arthur's bustness affairs, protests.

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The diamond passes in dice play from the bill poster to Santley, circus owner, who gives it to La Belle, lion tamer. Splinters, the clown, her jealous husband, shoots Santley as the lion strikes down and kills the woman. The animal seizes the diamond. Sankey, a stableman, seizes it and bides it in his stable. Blair and Vivian falsify a telegram from Blake to Arthur, making Arthur believe he suffered from hallucination in thinking he saw Esther. Esther tries to see Arthur, on his way to the races, but the plotters prevent her. ess affairs, protests.

CHAPTER XLV. Still In the Clutch of Drugs. ET the coachman take the reins!" cried Durand, subconsciously changing from his careless air of racegoer to the grave demeanor of physician. "Lend a hand, Blair," he added as the coachman work-

groom to the driver's place on the Blair and Vivian, assisting as best they could, aided Durand in dragging Arthur from the box seat to the second one. Here the drug victim collapsed,

Esther? How plainly I saw her-in her gypsy dress! She spoke to me. The hunchback fellow was with her!" "It was imagination," said Vivian sorthingly to the stricken man as the with Esther had been dismissed by Arpseudo physiciau, Durand, administer- thur as an illusion ed the all too bandy hypodermic. "A

"Yes," said Durand in equally soothing accents. "I think it was the sun

### TORTURED BY have let you drive, Mr. Powell; you are not strong enough yet for these things." Blair said nothing. He could have RHEUMATISM almost pitied Arthur that in so short a time as had elapsed since his injuries his character had been so weakened

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bowed sadly to the dust, trudged on beone side the patient pony.

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sisted off by his whilom friends. Such is the power of suggestion upon a drug weakened mind that Arthur had thrown aside all depression and worry soon after entering his luxurious home. Physically his strength had almost fully returned, and the plotters rejoiced to see that under the stimulant administered and their cajolments the panic

touch of sun, wasn't it. doctor?"

(To be continued.)