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GERALDINE.

lence. A thunderbolt had fallen upon them all, not in his proposal, but in Elizabeth, coldly, the suggestion which accompanied it-"to live with us." Then he proposed to remain here among them. Was he, then, free to do so? It was an awful moment for them all. The vicar came the suggestion which accompanied to the suggestion which accompanied to the suggestion which are companied to the suggestion which accompanied to the suggestion which accompanies to the suggestion which accompa

to the rescue,
"Your plan is not a new one, James,"
he observed, "though perhaps I am the only person here who has heard of it before. On the very day before his illness Sir Charles told me that it was illness Sir Charles told me that it was the condes on the mantel-piece. He illness Sir Charles told me that it was his intention to bring Miss Geraldine of the candles on the mantel-piece. He

You hear that, Deldee-you hear

Elizabeth was trembling with anger, Inquire—inquire at Dartmoor or—or and for a moment dared not trust her-self to speak. For this artful James had cleverly planned his attack, so that the presence of the vicar should

pause, Mr. Bamber spoke again:
"But, my dear James," he began,
with diffidence which his rattling voice was unable to express, "you must excuse me for broaching this extremely delicate subject; as it has to be done sooner or later, however, it may as well be got over at once. I would suggest that there are certain difficui-ties, of which you must yourself be fully aware, in the way of your making any arrangements for settling the family affairs. As an old friend whom you have known for a number of years, your aunts appealed to me to ask you to take them a little more into your confidence than you have hitherto done, before you have the inevitable interview with the executor, who is so Elizabeth tells me-Admiral Stan-

Confidence!" echoed James, his face suddenly lowering. "What about?" There was another most awkward silence, during which nobody could

keep quite still. Well, then, not to beat about the bush any longer, how did you—did you manage to get here, in fact? In the pleasure we all felt at seeing you among us again, we-we-none of uscould rush headlong into details directly-nor could you, of course! But you can see yourself, my dear boy, that it makes all the difference in the world, that it is a point which your relatives have a right to have settled,

quired James, in a low voice. "I don't "Well, then, if you force me to speak out, how did you get out of prison?'

"Prison?" echoed James, quietly.
"Yes—Dartmoor, I believe it was. Were you let out, or—or have you—well—er—escaped?"

James looked at the vicar steadily, as he crossed and recrossed his legs and tapped the table by which he was standing, and shifted his coat-collar as he was in the habit of doing to his

replied, very calmly.

There was instantly a great commopray aloud in a quavering voice for forgiveness for his perjured soul.

"My dear James." said the vicar,

"If I think till I'm blue in the face, nonsense!" retorted the young man, angrily. "I—I can't think what her tome over you all think what her to such the companion of the companion. "What will he do?" what will he do?" she cried, wildly. "Oh, he will be all right." angrily. "I—I can't think what has come over you all. I beg your pardon, Mr. Bamber; but really such Mr. Bamber; but really, such ques-tions would try anyone's temper. Deldee," he added, turning to her with sudden excitement, "did you eyer hear this story before?"

She turned a white face toward him, whispering in an agony of trembling hope:
"Oh, James, isn't it true, then?"

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of— Good heaven!"

He started up from the ottoman and leaned against the mantel-piece, with his head in his hands. They all look- Of the Independent Order of ed at him mutely, not knowing what to make of his behavior—all but Elizaeth, who got up and left the room as the butler appeared at the door. "Then, if this is not true, how do you account for your long absence vithout ever sending your friends any ntimation of your whereabouts?" ask-

ed the vicar.
"When I left Waringham it was with the intention of severing all con-nection with a place which I had hated since my boyhood, and a family who had hated me, and who were bent into forcing me into a profession which I"—he remembered his interlocutor and changed his sentence—"for which I was unfitted."

"And you have been—"
"Everywhere—to—to—to the Cape or the greater part of the time." But that fatal hesitation made the icar look graver still. "And you mean to say that you deny absolutely deny that you were ever

in prison?" Most emphatically I deny it!" 'I am afraid you will find that diffi-cult to prove, as two persons whom we now well, to begin with, saw you in

'And who are those two persons?" "Sir Charles' Dublin solicitor, Mr. Massey, a man whose evidence

npeachable, and Mr. Lindley Field-"Lindley Fielding!" almost shouted There was a minute's complete si
James, contemptuously: "Is t
evidence you have to go upon?" "Is that the bers the procession was not so large "It is not all of it, James," broke in

She had come into the room while

to the hall, having learned, I fancy, that Miss Gretton, her protectress for so many years, is anxious to leave he could read. It was an account of the callules of the charles of the callules of the manter-piece. He was breathing heavily, and he had to pass his hand across his eyes before he could read. It was an account of Copsley and enter what the high church the trial, a short one—being only an Deople call a retreat."

"James' eyes were sparkling with triumph; and he took the girl's hands afumph; and he took the girl's hands afthat, Aunt Elizabeth! My uncle wished grated on the ear, and said, in a

> wherever it is, and you will find that your-your felon James Otway is safe-'Unfortunately, no, James," respond-

shield his favorite, this odious interloper, who had wormed herself into his affections as she had done into his uncle's, from the effects of her just indignation. After only a few instants' hause Mr. Rember spoke again. brought it. I will read to you the paragraph which concerns you." She unfolded the letter and read:

'It is quite true that James Otway nade his escape from Dartmoor five weeks ago. I heard of it only two days since, or I should have written to have left for Australia; and, as he has kept out of their hands so long, I should think, with proper precautions, he ought now to be safe.'
"Would you like to read it your-

She was handing the letter to her nephew, when, with a gasp and a gurgling sound in his throat, he stagnephew, gered forward and fell in a fit.

The vicar led Geraldine quickly from T. Lohl. the room, and insisted, in spite of her prayers, upon leading her off at once to the vicarage. She sat like one stunned, almost unable to answer Mr.

Rev. Bro. J. A. Ferguson took his text from Proverbs, i., 9: "For they shall be an ornament of grace unto the head and chains about thy neck." Bamber's gentle and kind speeches, until the little Norfolk cart was ready, wise man giving instruction to and Reginald helped her into it to son. drive her back to Copsley.

hem. It was James, panting haggard,

ghastly "Deldee, Deldee, for heaven's sake, say you don't believe it!"
"Oh, James, no, I don't—I don't!" The poor fellow seized her hand and clung to it in a paroxysm of gratitude. "Thank you, thank you! Heaven bless you!" he cried, hoarsely. "Come again—let me see you again!" "I will come tomorrow," she whisper-Heaven

ed, tenderly, close to his ear. He seemed only half to understand the words; but the tone of her voice comforted him; and as Reginald touched the pony lightly with the whip to "I have never been in prison!" he put an end to this distressing interview. James pressed her hand to his hot, dry lips, with a look which wrung tion in the room, though nobody spoke except poor Eleanor, who began to without another word, as she was

But a leaden fear fell on the girl's heart that she would never see James

the reach of petty stings of jeal and, moreover, it was quite out of the question that he should for a moment entertain such a feeling as envy for an escaped convict who inaugurated his freedom by drunkenness, and who then had the audacity to deny that he had ever been in prison at all. But from what he could see of Geraldine's face, as he drove her quickly in the dusk of the closing evening from Waringham toward Copsley, the girl was evidently so entirely absorbed in anxiety for that most unworthy object of friendship.

It, that a natural uneasiness arose in The second link in the symbolic than the symbolic transfer.

you were," he expostulated, gently. Yesterday Otway had not put himself outside the pale of sympathy by what I can really call no other term than deliberate and audacious falsehood." How do you know that it is not

true?" she asked, hotly.

He saw by this wild question that she was not in a fit state of mind to be talked to as a reasoning being, so he answered, indulgently: "Of course, of course—how can we now? We must wait and see."

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mon by Rev. Bro. J. A. Ferguson at Dundas Street Center Church.

The 78th anniversary of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, was celebrated last evening by a parade to Dundas Street Center Methodist Church, where divine service was conducted by Rev. Bro. J. A. Ferguson. of the Hamilton Road Methodist Church, assisted by Rev. Bro. A. L. Russell, of Wellington Street Methodist Church. This event marks a new era in the matter of society church parades, standing out uniquely prominent as the first affair of its kind held in London, and to a great step toward the abolition of a custom to which many citizens have for a long time been opposed. In point of num-

The cold weather may have interfered with the attendance. The city lodges met at their hall, Dundas and Clarence streets. Among those present was ex-Ald. Skinner, who is the only member in good standing, who was, 43 years member of Eureka When the brethren go, a charter Lodge, No. 30. had assembled they lined up as fol-lows, with Capt. John Brown as grand marshal, and Messrs. W. H. Abbott and E. Kirkpatrick as assist-

as it has been in previous Sunday

London Musical Society Band. Dominion Lodge, No. 48. Eureka Lodge, No. 30.

Forest City Lodge, No. 38. Harmony Encampment, No. 3. The crowd that awaited them outside was dense, and all the way along the route the sidewalks were filled, while the inevitable army of small boys preceded the band. The column marched up Dundas street to Burwell, where they were met by Adelphian Encampment, No. 38, and Chorazin No. 190, who had assembled at he East End Hall, and marched down

to meet the main body, under Marshal D. W. Blackwell. The body of the church had been reserved for the brethren who, after being seated, nearly filled it. The other portion of the edifice contained fair-sized audience, numbering in all setween 600 and 700 people.

The service began by the full choir, under the direction of Mr. W. H. Hewbreaking forth in powerful and melodious strains, "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." The lesson was read by Rev. A. L. Russell, from Romans, xii. The anthem that followed, "Spirit Immortal," Verdi, by the choir, was magnificently rendered, and after the singing of the hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers," a collection was taken up in aid of the Oddfellows' donation to the City Hospital, during which Mr. W. H. Skinacceptable manner a solo, "Friends,"

It was fitting that we should Just as they were starting, and her straining eyes were striving to pierce of life, and had drank of every cup of and had drank of every cup of the evening mist that hung about the worldly pleasure, but had found in trees of Waringham, she whispered, them no satisfaction. God alone could plore you!" Reginald reined in the pony, and in another minute the figure she had dimly seen came up to them. It was necessary that God should have the affection of men's hearts—the first of them. pony, and in another minute the fig-ure she had dimly seen came up to of friendship. Man could not come to him through societies or creeds, but through Christ alone. spoke of the three links in the chain symbolical of the great fundamental principles of the order — friendship, love, and truth. No man, he said, could live a life apart from friends. Friendship was a necessary element in a man's life. We needed one another. It was necessary that we should show friendship and be willing to help one another. True friendship meant giving as well as receiving. True friendship was not born in the chamber of mirth and folly. It was born in the hours of adversity and sickness. Friendship bound men together in all sorts of societies and associations that they might be better able That with a sudden vigor it doth pos to bear the burdens placed upon them. To this was attached the law of utildriven away from his sight quickly in ity, and large numbers were needed. Very few men in the city could alone erect a hospital, but a systematic con-

tribution would pay for a handsome The link of friendship went beyond a mere personal friendship. It meant relief. Since 1830, \$71,288,702 had been paid by the society in relief alone, while the total amount expended was over \$185,000,000. Seventy-eight years ago the society had been founded by five men, and it had now a member-CHAPTER XVIII.

Reginald Bamber was a man whose even temperament placed him above ter a vessel and send relief. When the famine broke out in Ireland a few years ago, the Oddfellows were the first to charter a vessel and send relief. When the ter a vessel and send relief. When the land Solution Was Medicine Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ont. Mr. Vernon Bromley, Trenton, Ont., says: "For a number of years have suffered severely from Rheumatism and Solution." Chicago fire swept over that city, the Oddfellows had responded nobly to the call, and contributed \$131,000. When

call, and contributed \$131,000. When the yellow fever broke out in Memphis and the people wanted aid, the Odd-fellows sent them help. Friendship consisted of more than this. It included visiting, and over 71,000,000 people had been visited and ministered to, and watched as they lay on sick beds. These things were

his mind; and he said, in his soft chain was love-the central link, between friendship and truth. A great "You are far too good-natured, Miss' Lindley. I don't know any man who is worthy of all the kind compassion you are bestowing upon one who certainly does not deserve a tithe of it."

"That is not a very Christian sentiment," she answered, her voice trembling. "And yesterday you accused me ling. "And yesterday you accused me | could not take down the bar and adf being too severe."

"Yesterday I had reason to hope that many people who were only happy when eating the bread of idleness. People should make a distinction be-

when eating the bread of idleness. People should make a distinction between self-interest and selfishness.

Passing on to the link of truth, he said friendship is the wire, love the electricity, and truth the message. These three were the foundation of the order, organized to help man, who, the preacher said, was the most helpless of all creatures, He then spoke of how those who had been initiated in the order saw truth from the inside as it was never presented to them beas it was never presented to them before, as compared with those who saw only the exterior. "And now," he said, in closing, "as we look out into the future, the responsibility that rested upon those five men 78 years ago, rests

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order are just the same. The object of which was to bring assistance, joy and gladness, to homes darkened in various ways. There is yet work for us to do. You have felt that God's blessing is resting upon your efforts. We should seek his face, trust his grace, and go forth to do more in the future than we have ever yet done, and may God bless you all."

and may God bless you all."
At the close, Rev. Mr. Lanceley thanked the Oddfellows for the honor they had done the church by holding Radway's Ready Relief the first week-night society service WILL AFFORD INSTANT EASE. there, and remarked that it was the Instantly stops the most excruciating pains, allays inflammation and cures congestions, whether of the Lungs, Stomach. Bowels or other glands or nucous membranes. first society to hold religious services Radway's Ready Relief Curos and Prevents Colds, Coughs, Sore Throat, Influenza, Bronchitis, Pneu-monia, Eheumatism, Neuralgia, Head-ache, Toothache, Asthma, Difficult Breathing.

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THE "GRIP." strength.

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Ashburn, Pike County, Mo. Moore. The Boys' Brigade exhibited their sword exercise. Miss Sophia Jacobson recited; Miss E.Couke sang "Beside Killarney" (Gerald Lane); Miss Annie Patton danced the Shaun Trewes and later the sailor's hornpipe, and was enthusiastically encored. Sandy Drennan's comic songs and sketches were very funny. The chairman was obliged to silence the audience so that the programme might be continued after two recalls. Two instrumentals cobson recited; Miss E.Couke sang "Beside Killarney" (Gerald Lane); Miss

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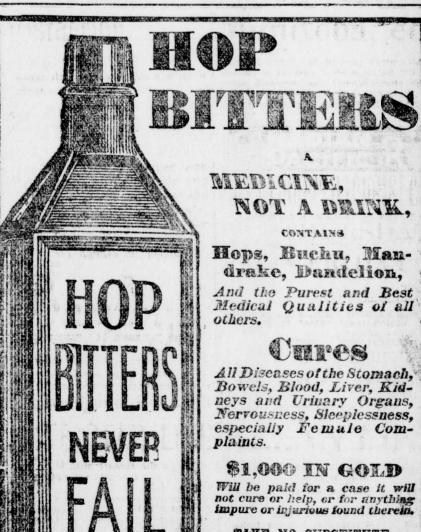
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