HIS WORD OF HONOR,

A Tale of the Blue and the Gray.

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CHAPTER VI.

Then, with this last thought, a burning sense of shame filled the young ofacer's soul. The face of his old commander suddenly rose vividly before him. He saw his earnest gaze; heard the warning words: "If Lieutenant Roland has not returned by eight o'clock this evening, I shal! believe that he is either dead or dishonored." And at the same moment William felt that he could not stand in his presence with a lie or an evasion on his lips; that he must tell him the truth; and with this thought the struggle was over.

He released himself so hastily, so abruptly, that the young girl almost tottered back. His lips quivered, but his voice was as firm as when he made the fateful promise.

"I cannot be a dishonored man, Florence, not even for the prize of your hand. If you fear Edward more than you love me-if you have not the courage to defend this love against him-why, I must lose you. I will not break | down!" my word of honor."

Florence had shrunk back. Her dark eyes rested with a look of mingled earprise and anger upon the man, whose rigid sense of duty she could not understand. But ere she could frame an snewer, the door again opened, and a with a hurried glance, then courteously ling to him frantically, exclaimed: approached the lady.

son. Allow me to request a brist pri- ed in the struggle! They will kill vate interview with this gentleman. I | you!" have some important news for him."

Florence recognized Captain Wilson, Edward's friend, whom she had seen ntmost astonishment. For the moment closely, with a rapid movement

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ward's revenge was swift and sure. "I do not know you, sir," said the young officer slowly, without lowering his weapon or averting his eyes from his enemy. "You, on the contrary, seem to be very well informed concerning my personality. In that case, you probably are also aware that I am in the house of my future father-in-law, and came solely to see my betrothed bride. By what right Springfield." do you attack me?"

Wilson shrugged his shoulders.

"By the same right which you would exercise if an officer of the hostile army should fall into your hands in disguise. I am a soldier and must discharge my duty; it is not my business to inquire the motive that brought you here. Will you surren-

"So long as I carry a weapon, no! However the struggle may end, the first man who touches me I will shoot

"Then you will force me to extreme measures. The consequences must be on your head."

The captain turned toward the terrace, with the intention of summoning the men who were waiting there, when Florence, who had stood tremstranger appeared on the threshold. It bling and deadly pale, anticipated was a young man in uniform, who him. She rushed past him to Roland, pansed a moment, scanning the pair | threw herself on his breast, and cling-

"You must not, William! There "Pardon this intrusion, Miss Harri- are ten to one! You will be conquer-

"Let me go, Florence! Let me go,

William was vainly striving to reseveral times. She knew only too well lease himself, when Captain Wilson, dying. what had brought him to Springfield taking advantage of the favorable mothat day, but this sudden entrance ment in which his enemy was defenseinto her drawing-room aroused the less in the arms that clasped him so

show the traitor-and now I will ask t only a moment longer."

He went to his fiance and bent over her, but just at that moment a sidedoor was hastily flung open and Ralph rushed in.

"Miss Florence, master is asking for you. He has suddenly grown worse. We are afraid the end is near."

Florence had hitherto found it diffleult to sustain herself. This last blow threatened to crush her. She tottered and would have fallen had not William clasped her in his arms. "I cannot go!" she murmured, despairingly. "Not at this moment! Wil-

"Lieutenant Roland is my prisoner and under my protection," said Wilson, with marked emphasis, "Have no anxiety for him. I will answer for his safety so long as he remains in

liam! What will become of you?"

"Go to your father," said William, pushing the trembling girl with gentle violence toward the door. "You hear? No harm will befall me, and your place is there. Courage, my poor Florence! I cannot be with you in this trying hour, but, at least, you know that I am near. So be reso-

He gave her to Raiph, who drew the half-senseless girl away with him, and then went back to the captain.

"If you wish to go to the sickroom," said the latter, in a low tone, "I will not prevent you."

William made a gesture of refusal "No. After what has passed between me and the sick man, my presence could not help exerting a bad influence upon him. He has no suspicion that I am here; let him remain ignorant of it. I thank you for your consideration, sir. Let us go!"

The servants, at the captain's order, had left their posts at the doors, but stood whispering together with troubled faces. Ralph had betrayed that the officer under arrest was Miss Florence's lover. And it had happened in her own house! True, the master of the bonse had had no share in it: they all knew now that he was

Edward Harrison, pacing up and down the drawing-room alone, with a cloud upon his brow, knew it also. The end so long expected was coming more quickly than had been supposed. The physician had given the sick man days, and now, at the utmost, there were only hours. Yet Edward had not courage to enter the apartment where Florence was, and had Ralph bring him reports, which constantly grew more alarming.

Then Captain Wilson entered, but the cordiality with which he usually treated young Harrison had given place to cold formality; be bowed as if he were saluting a stranger.

"I wished to inform you that I am going to the city to report the capture," he said, distantly. "An escort will be sent for the prisoner; until then he must remain at Springfield."

Edward did not appear to notice the icy coldness in the tone and manner of his former friend, and answered quietly, as if the point in question were a matter of the ulmost indiffer-

"Have no anxiety. I'll see that the spy doesn't escape us."

"I am positive that Lieutenant Roland is not a spy," replied Wilson, with marked emphasis. "What brought him here is perfectly apparent, and shall make my opinion as emphatic as possible at the court-martial."

(To be continued.)

THE MEMORY OF FISH.

Sometimes Keeps Them from Bling !

Fisherman believe that a fish almost caught a first time does not easily let itself be caught a second time, that he remembers the pain he suffered, and that he even lets his companions know his cruel experience. This is easily accounted for by their memory and M. Semon gives an incident characteristic of the subject which shows that certain fish have their memory seconded by a particular gift of observation. He had seen around a ship in which he was sailing a number of those curious fish called echineis remora, one of the peculiarities of which is that on the top of the head they have a kind of hook, which permits them to attach themselves to a vessel or to the belly of fish larger than themselves. M. Semon wished to procure some specimens and threw into the water a hook baited with a piece of crab. A first remora was soon taken, but the others, having etidently seen the capture, allowed the line to be thrown into the water many times without even touching it. They remained attached to the vesiel, regarding with an indifferent eye the most succulent bits that could be offered them. M. Semon renewed the experiment, and in no case could he capture two remoras belonging to the same band. These fish have evidently powers of observation and a well-developed

Dishavaled

memory.

From Judge: Beth was deeply interested in a weeping willow that her father had planted the night before on the lawn. "Come, mamma, hurry!" she called, as she looked from the sitting room window, "and see this cunning little tree with its hair all down."

Somewhat Different. The Maid-A man who has too many wives is a bigamist, isn't he? The Bachelor-Not necessarily. A bigamist is a man who has two or more wives.

-Chicago News. Bodily labor alleviates the pains of the mind; and hence arises the happiness of the poor.- ha Rochefoucauld. A WEEK IN ILLINOIS.

RECORD OF HAPPENINGS FOR SEVEN DAYS.

Outline Defeuse at Vienna-Pian Which Will Be Followed in the Bint Case Is Indicated-The Trial May Come to a Close This Week.

nesses have been examined in the riot case on trial here on a change of venue from Williamson county. Their evidence tended to strengthen the case for the prosecution. In the line of cross examination it has developed that the defense expects to establish that two crowds participated in the shoot ing of the five negroes, and the crow that really did the killing was not the defendants on trial, but consisted of men some distance from those who were at the depot when the colored men left. M. J. Moffit, the agent for the Illinois Central railroad at Carterville, was the first witness. O. J. Page of Metropolis, a member of the Illinois house of representatives, then took the stand. His evidence was similar to that of all others regarding what occurred at the depot. Herbert Cann also testified. George W. Bayliss, a photographer, was on the witness stand more than two hours, and was under cross examination sixty-five minutes. He testified that he saw Mathew Walker, Willis Kearney and Elmer James at the deput, all armed; saw Wesley Shadowens there and heard him tell some ladies there to go away. saw the negroes leave the depot and case to write at once to The Dr. Miles heard the white men insist on their getting out of town at a lively pace. At the crossing he saw a negro shoot at the white men, being the first shot fired. Andrew Jones, colored, one of the twelve colored men who escaped during the fight Sept. 17, was the most notable witness of the day. After leaving the depot on the way to his home he was struck with a gun across his head, making a wound more than two nches long. The scar be exhibited to the jury. He swore he had no gun.

Gang of Post Office Robbers. Chicago special: Three men, who are under arrest in Janesville, Wis., are said to have been positively identified as the robbers who broke into the post office at De Kalb, Ill., on the night of Nov. 6 and took a large sum of money and stamps. The names of the prisoners so far as known are: "Toronto Jim," "Lefty" Fitzgerald and "Dad" Flynn. Post Office Inspector Gould sends word that witnesses say the prisoners are members of a desperate gang, who are supposed to be responsible for the robbery of a number of banks and post offices in Illinois and Wisconsin. The government lost \$2,-915 in stamps and money by the robbery of the De Kalb postoffice last

November. Illipois Retail Merchants.

Rock Island telegram: The seventh annual convention of the libbols Retail Merchants' association has ad journed to meet in February, 1901, at Decatur. State Food Commissioner A. H. Jones occupied two hours in the morning for explanation of the purfood law rulings made by the commission. The following officers were elected: President, Charles R. Lott Chicago; vice presidents, George E Lotz, East St. Louis; George Churchill, Galesburg; George H. Kingsbury, Rock Island; secretary, Charles Hyde, Chiago: treasurer. George Dalenberg. Chicago: executive committee, George R. Long, Belleville; George S. Connolly, Springfield; J. R. Langton Peoria.

Going to Luzon.

Chicago telegram: First Lientenan Thomas M. Auderson, Jr., who served on the staff of his father, Gen. Ander son, until recently commander of the department of the lakes, has left Chicago to join his regiment in the Philippines. He is a member of the Thirteenth infantry, and will sail for Manila on March 14 with a detachment of recruits now being drilled at Fort Slocum, N. V. Col. Lee, chief quartermaster of the department of the lakes. will open bids on Feb. 20 for 100,000 pairs of shoes for the use of the troops

in the Philippines. Chemical National Bank Sale. Chicago special: Assets of the defunct Chemical National bank of Chicago, representing a face value of more than \$900,000, were sold at auction by Receiver William C. Niblack for \$487.75. The assets represented bills receivable, judgments in favor of the receiver, amounts due from national banks(disputed balances), stocks and overdrafts. Real estate held by the bank, valued at \$4,000, will be sold later. One judgment for \$105,468 was sold for \$1.59. The Chemical bank started in business in 1890 and went under in 1893.

Eastern lilinois Poultry Raisors. Paxton telegram: The Eastern Illinois Poultry association in session here elected W. H. Cleve of Buckley, president: D. P. McCracken, of Paxton, superintendent; E. B. Pitney, of Paxton, secretary, and Bert Keith, of Elliott, treasurer.

Child's Mysterions Death.

El Dorado special: The people of Galatia, ten miles west of here, are much excited on account of seeing a dox with a leg of an infant in its mouth. The people of the village followed the dog to the barn of Thomas Gasaway, where the balance of the child's body was found.

Rev. T. H. Marsh Accepts a Call. Jacksonville telegram: Rev. T. H. Matsh, of Carlinville, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Baptist church, in this city.... He will assume his duties March L.

Mile a Minute.

The spot in the Swiss Alps that attracts the winter sportsmen of Europe is the Cresta run, at St. Moritz, which is just one mile in length. The tobogganing season here begins about the middle of November, when the first snow falls. The condition of the run is not left to chance, but the slide is prepared under the direction of a committee. Swiss toboggans, la contrast to the Canadian ones, made entirely of wood, are raised on runners shod with iron or steel. The expert rider lies prone upon the toboggan, head foremost, both hands grasping the framework at the sides, and both feet employed in steering. Iron spikes are securing to the toes of the boots, and by trailing one or the other foot along the ground the big sled may be guided. But as this fashion of steering tends to diminish the speed, the most skillful riders use the feet as little as possible and depend upon shifting the position. Though the Cresta run is a mile in length, the whole distance may be made in seventy seconds. At the steepest point a mile a minute is made.

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SHE BUSHED PAST HIM TO ROLAND.

the situation.

But Willam understood it better. He say the Confederate uniform, and with it the danger menacing him, and lowly thrusting his hand into the reast-pocket of his coat, where he carried his pistol, he replied with cold formality:

"I shall be at your service, sir, as oon as my conversation with Miss farrison is over. We have some immetant matters to discuss, so clance and tone plainly requested

the captain to retire. But instead of foing so, he advanced close to the young officer, saying in a low tone: "I wish to spare the lady, and hope you will aid me Lieutenant William

William started. He perceived that betrayed, and did not doubt a noment the author of the treachery. to deny his identity was impossible. only prompt action could be of serdes now. If he succeeded in reachir his horse, which was fastened a w hundred paces from the house. scape might yet be possible. Hasretreating a few steps, at the time drawing his revolver, he aid in a loud, sharp tone:

Well, what do you want with Lieunant Roband?" Florence titlered a ery of terror. at too, now suddenly realized the Il axtent of the peril, but the cap-

remained unmoved, though the Attac almed at hirth Field, Mr. Roland," he said, quiet-Resistance would be vain. You not find your horse where you im: all the exits from the house guarded; and the servants have to prevent your departure by Convince yourself that flight

He pointed toward the terrace and lillam's eyes followed the gesture. really did see several figures faces were unfamiliar to him, he certainly would not fail to out the orders which they had

scome an impossibility."

dignation escaped the young inte. He stood defenseless.

cried in a tone of sharp reproach. you here before my eyes!"

said the captain, gravely. "Lieutenant Roland will not be so mad as to offer resistance now. Once more, sir, yield! Spare us useless bloodshed. It is no disgrace to a soldier if he submits to the inevitable, and I give you my word that you have no dishonoring treatment to fear as a prisoner of the Confederacy you will be treated in an honorable manner.

the words. Longer resistance would have been madness and, at the ut most, brought only degrading treatment upon him. After a brief, uncomfortable pause, he turned to the

"I am in your power. Dispose of

"I will send news of your arrest to the city. Meanwhile, remain here; and, if you give me your word of honor to make no attempt to fiy-" "No! I yield to force, but to that

"Then I cannot leave you in Miss Harrison's society, but must provide

"Which you will doubtless find in Springfield," said William, with outburst of resentment. "I was prepared for everything when I risked the ride here, except treachery in the house in which I was called son."

"You are right, Mr. Roland," The captain raised his voice so loud that a person on the other side of the closed door could not fall to hear it. "But do not address your reproaches to me. I did what I was forced to do. I do not believe in treachery, and I regret that you have fallen a victim to it." "My words do not apply to you.

he beked the least comprehension of | snatched the revolver. A cry of inlips. The next instant he had wrenched himself free, but it was too

"Florence, what have you done?" he "Saved you!" she passionately exclaimed. "They would have killed

"Calm yourself, Miss Harrison,"

Wilham bent his eyes gloomily on the floor. He perceived the truth of

a more secure prison."

Vienna, III., Feb. 15 .- Several wit-