## AN EGYPTIAN ROMANCE.

story of Love and Wild Adventure, founded upon Startling Revelations in the Career of Arabi Pasha.

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It is certainly so. There can be no t about it. All these accursed locusts w settle down in Egypt become our mas-They bring with them, too, their own in order that they may violate ours, ated Toulba Pasha, to which Suleiman

added with an oath : No doubt about it, and what is worse, wnot only start business here unasked. they claim indemnities when they fail grein, indemnities which our weak-minded e always seems ready to pay."

Raising the taxes of our poor until they per cheat the collectors and get the basndo on being detected, or else pay and Fre. People such as these make very rebels, for there is nothing to make

z loyal, said Toulba. should Allah call upon me to reign over I will make them loyal, for the fellah, ges dig, would lay down his very life for master. By the Prophet, would that itew bette: what it was to have one," at once made answer :

Inat is because he has so many masters. tere are twenty foreign consuls in Egypt, ieach is a petty prince. They are above Egypt. Their watches regulate even the Lat a Feringhee do what wrong he get his consul will protect him from consequences, whilst the Egyptian is me injured by the sacking of redress."

That is true, for his case is tried, not is own laws, but by those of the man whas injured him, which of course there no understanding, so that in seeking to werer his stolen coat the chances are that inses all the rest of his apparel," said

By Allah and the Prophet, where is the discussing these matters further? Can ount the sands of the desert or the sea-No, no, but we can try to save oure frem being buried beneath them, nevricless My friends, we must lose no time maching through trusty but secret emisthe population of our great cities the men and injustices which they suffer and they can best rid themselves of them. hmed Arabi, of O:abi, proclaim myself friend of the downtrodden and the opmed, and as being ready to lay down my in their cause. Should they elect me as champion my battle cry will be ' Egypt the Egyptians and down with the Eurose control.' You, my friends, I am well me, are with me hand and glove, whilst allies that we can number without are sady more numerous than all the followto the Khedive. (io, then, and sow in me in order that we roup amidst the

spoke the war minister. Toulba Pasha teanswer: "A victory that has been and for by the unlying tongue of pro er, for has it not been foretold that the at leader who shall restore Mohammed d on all mun to its olden glory shall be called ded SIX med, and is not thy name Ahmed? And you get want the time in which this deed will be might been fixed for the thirteenth cenm that century in the course of a few

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CHAPTER VIII.

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aged in the headlong pursuit of wealth lished. Pleasure, did not those occupations en-

of the lips, the sound of the spitting on the

ground after they have passed by ? 'Tis true that one or two consuls have lodged complaints of not being saluted by Egyptian sentries when in official uniform on their way to and from the palace, but the remissuess on the soldiers' part has been set down to opium instead of impertinence, and has been either overlooked or forgotten. 'Tis true, also, that many Europeans have observed that the masses pay far more deference to the war minister, Arabi Pasha, when he drives or rides abroad than they do to his highness the Khedive, but they consider the reason for this to lie in the pasha's austere piety and boundless generosity, two qualities for which he has long been famed, and their confidence in the Joint Control.

With this obliquity of vision all around, who shall particularly blame Mr. Trezarr. the rich English banker, for allowing his comely wife and lovely daughter to attend the Opera House even unaccompanied by the war minister proudly, and Toulba himself? He had arrived at that time of life when an easy chair and a newspaper, taken in conjunction with a prime cigar and a bottle of iced Chateau Lafitted, proved a fund of enjoyment much greater than even a ballet, far less an opera, could have afforded him. So, after bidding his womankind an impatient farewell, for he was in the middle of a leading article in a fortnight old Times, he had his armchair moved out into the garden, where he might watch in a kind of drowsy enjoyment the gorgeous setting of the blood red Egyptian sun, from within a little summer house that was almost buried beneath fragrant jasmine, and in front of which a drooping date tree gently waved its clusters of crimson and golden fruit, the sunlight causing them to resemble huge precious stones.

"Assuredly his lot had fa'len in pleasant places," the rich man thought to himself, and he saw not Lazarus afar off in his littl mud hut thatched with straw, with its sole furniture of a mat and two pitchers, eating his evening meal of coarse maize bread, whilst he gazes half ravagely and half despairingly at the tiny copper coins that to the value of the thirteenth part of a dollar represent a day's labor of sixteen hours in the burning sun, yet out of which the tax gatherer will seize at least a quarter in order that rich Europeans may be feted at the Khedive's nominal, out of these poor starved wretches' real, expense.

But while we are thus moralizing, the handsome two-horsed chariot containing our lovely heroine and her mother is dashing along the Choubrah road towards the city. with coachman and footman in irreproachable liveries, en route to the Opera House near the Rue de Moscow.

Nellie is not looking her best, for her color and spirits seem to have alike forsaken her. The fact is, she is fretting about Frank Donelly, whom she has only seen ocne since the fete at the Gizereh Palace, now an event of the, to her, long ago; and on that solitary occasion he had met with so cool a reception from her parents that he had ever since held himself aloof.

The young officer was the last man in the world to stir up a daughter to needlessly Inshallan, be it as God wills," replied | rebel against those to whom she rightly owed far minister devoutly : and then he | obedience, and as it had seemed to him very "You may tell that prophecy evident that neither Mr. nor Mrs Trezarr the peop e likewise, for if Allah speaks | would ever sanction his marrying her, he his prophet and I am the person had made up his mind that both for Nellie's alluded to, I dare not, even if I sake and his own it would be better did he teruse to obey the behest of the Most try to forget her, and by zealously keeping No go away, and lose no time in sow- out of her way, help her to forget him in

But Nellie, far from giving him credit for ar will see and devour it. With this kindly and unselfish motives, had made up districts you, my brothers, and her mind that he had surrendered her far with the racting assurances that as I soar too easily; and then jealousy, of course, sa, therefore remember that crept into her heart to make her still more blesses the birds that remember their | uncomfortable, and she began to believe that after all he must have learned to care much maps this warning was not altogether more for the Egyptian lady whose life he thed but he that as it may, the trio had saved than he had ever done for her-

There is not one girl in a hundred who would not torture herself in a very similar manner under the same circumstances, and certainly Nellie had some excuse for doing so, since when her lover had called at Mount another week has passed away and a Carmel on that one solitary occasion which tan opera company is playing "The we have mentioned, he had never as much er at the Cairo Theatre to crowded as asked her for an answer to the question which he had propounded with such fervor other case of dancing, singing and fid- in the illumined palace gardens the night the brink of chaos, though to be before-namely whether she would marry

In plain truth, the young dragoon had their abor in darkness and in si- had no time to do so, for he had wasted a and no one perceives as yet the strong precious five minutes in the usual greetings, of the legger and scimitar blades and then the mother had come into the room with uncless bayonet points that and directly afterwards the father and had not left him alone with Nellie for a single very and a shower of blood drops instant hereafter, and when half an hour needed to repleuish that crop and later he had received his cool conge from grow the quicker and bear fruit in the severe paterfamilias, who had followed then as Feringhee blood him outside the drawing room door in order gre it the strengest nourishment these to be as coldly impertinent as he could make traingers and revelers will be aroused himself consonan; with what he considered the pleasan' vision of ease, luxury to be good breeding, Frank had tried to persuade himself that he was glad he had not been allowed time to ask what he had called lor the present the Frank hotels are expressly to ask, since he had been forced it. I feel sure that it was in the bloody the European quarter of by their conduct to the cocclusion that there ty is as bright and cheerful as any was less of Christian forgiveness and the Acratic suburb in Paris, London or New milk of human kindness in Nellie's parents'

"And if they persisted in not forgiving stories of the flat-roofed houses on her she would mope and fret, and instead of tide nod towards each other, where making her happy I should only make her compants of the highest rooms wretched, on which account I shall sacrifice whether without further my own happiness for hers without further my own happiness for hers without further winding thoroughfares from their restruggle," had been Frank's final resolve; tive verantiahs and balconies, are the but he would have been able to carry it out to spell; and discontent allowed better if he had at once retired from the well into a murmur, and that murscene of action, instead of which, with a strange, yet natural, inconsistency, he still jet are there a sufficiency of signs lingered on in Cairo, though there was not to give timely warning of what the slightest necessity for doing so, his health aged in the timely warning of what the slightest necessity is time been quite re-estab-

Though the young dragoon had resolved then entire and undivided attention. to give Nellie up, he could not tear himself to give Nellie up, he could was the true wholly away from her; that was the true wholly away from her; that was the true the not not notice the hatred with which state of the case. He still had no small dethe fashing have begun to regard gree of comfort in gazing at her afar off, and the fishing of the eyes, the curling even in looking at the windows of the house

in which she dwelt if he had been unable to catch a view of her fair self for a few days. He also derived some degree of satisfaction, though it was certainly allied with still more of uneasiness, in the suspicion (which he was one of the very few to entertain that a time of peril and danger was near at hand in which he might be able to render her or hers some great essential service which would create a revolution in their sentiments toas any recorded in a novel.

But Nellie has no such hopes or comforts to buoy her up, and her sorrew is all the harder to bear because her pride forces her to assume a gaiety of disposition which she is far from feeling, and in the artificial sustaining of which she is constantly breaking

In the dark depths of the carriage, how ever, she makes no attempt to sustain the part which she has set herself to act, but giving way to her real feelings suffers the great crystal tears to escape from her beautiful violet eyes.

And now the carriage has entered Cairo proper, through the great Gate of Victory, and rolling along the no longer level causeway presently reaches the opening to that unsavory and evil reputationed locality, the Quartier du Crocodile.

Here the glare of flames and a shrill hubbub of cries and laughter frightened the horses and caused both ladies to glance out of the carriage window, when they beheld the strange, and to them as yet unmeaning, spectacle of some street gamins, actively aided by a few children, of large growth, hanging a large pig that was dressed like a Christiam over a fire to roast, taking good care, however, not to touch it with their

CHAPTER IX,

IN THE CROCODILE QUARTER AND AT TH THEATRE.

Yes, it was a comical sight enough when not viewed as a suggestive one, and there was nothing in it of cruelty to cause a shudder, for the pig was dead, and from the serene expression of its porcine countenance he died (for one of its race) happily.

A stiff shirt collar and a high black sati stock concealed very probably the gap is the throat which had let the steel in and the life out, while his capacious paunch was covered with an immaculate white waistcoat, and his little short front legs dangled inside the sleeves of a black cloth coat, whose lappels were thrown well back.

As for his hinder legs (and it is to be pre sumed his tail included), they were tucked inside a pair of black cloth trousers that were a mile too long for them, whilst some how or other an eyeglass was fixed in front of one closed optic, and what had been once a jaunty Paris nigh-crowned silk hat (though now disfigured by many a dent) was fastened (stuck a little on one side) atop of the huge lop-eared head, which also hung a little on one side, owing to the manner in which the brute was hung.

As the coachman was reducing his fractious horses to obedience, a crowd of the young street roughs, the majority of them nearly naked and more than half of them possess ing but one eye (for ophthalmies is a terrible scourge in Egypt, and many parents also cut out the pupils of their children's eyes, so that they may escape when grown up the horrors of military service) surrounded the carriage, loudly demanding baksheesh, for in Egypt alms are demanded as a right in stead of asked for as a favor.

Mrs. Trezarr, however, who knew th both pig and clothes must have been stolen from Europeans, and had a vague and misty idea that the whole show was meant as an insult to the whole population, would not part with a single paistre, whilst Nellie, whose perceptions were keener, was too terrified even to feel for her purse. Happi ly, at this juncture, the horses condesended to spring forward in the right direction, which, however, they did with such suddenness that one importunate young beggar was knocked down and trod under their hoofs, whilst the wheels of the carriage passed over the toes of a second, extracting from the sufferers a chorus of howls, mingled with oaths and execrations in gutteral

Then a shower of stones was thrown, and one, smashing a window, struck Nellie's creamy hued right shoulder with a force that caused it to tingle and its fair possessor to cry out in alarm :

"Oh, let us return home, mamma, or we shall be murdered.

" No, my dear. The danger is behind us now, and were we to return we should have to pass it again. Besides, to be afraid of the wretched natives would be very bad form, and to show our fear might be imprudent in addition. Mobs do strange things even at home, sometimes, so you must not be afraid. I wonder what could have been the meaning of the show?"

"What could it mean, mamma, except that the fanatics would like to serve our entire race as they were serving its represent-

"The representative of our race a pig?

I don't follow you, my dear." "Oh, mamma, don't the natives hate us in part because we are swine eaters, and therefore do they not couple us with the to them unclean animal which we make our food? Was not the bitterest scandal that they could concoct about the Khedive the tale that his European favorites had taught him to like ham? Should he lose his crown and our lives a pig will be at the bottom of Indian mutiny when the false rumor that the Mohammedan sowar's carbine cartridges had been greased with hog's lard led to the shedding of whole rivors of Chr st an gore."

"Nellie, you are a little fool, and may depend upon it that instead of being intended as an insult to the Christians, that dressed up animal was merely a kind of Mohammedan Guy Faux. It's a pity that their scruples will prevent them from eating the animal after it is roasted, and it's a pity if they've stolen it from a poor man instead of a rich one, and if you want a third regret from me it is that our carriage windows are broken."

"Mamma, tell me if my shoulder is cut." "No, my dear, I don t see a mark. If you were hit 'tis for unate that the stone was not a sharp one, for the bruise will not show until to-morrow. Here we are at the theatre, so do call up a smile, my dear."

Nellie essayed the task, and in part succeeded, for the bright lamps, the flaunting play bills and the richly carpeted and light- of." "What is it?" "Esting."

ed interior of the dress circle entrance looked so homelike and European that they seemed to breathe an assurance of safety.

The footman, descending from the box, threw open the carriage door and assisted his ladies to alight, and a minute or two later they were in the company of a score of other elegantly dressed Christian woman in the sumptuously filled up cloak room, whose silvery laughter and anticipation of coming ward him and lead up to as happy a climax enjoyment caused Mrs. Trezarr at all events to forget the outward occurrence that had

happened during their drive thither. The house when they entered it looked particularly bright, for the performance that evening was under royal (that is to say, Khedival) patronage, so that the centre of the dress circle (the heat of the climate forbidding the construction of close, stuffy boxes) was brilliant with rich uniforms,

gold lace and glittering jeweled orders. Prince Tewfik was seated in a golden chair of state, and around him stood a goodly array of pashas, beys and effendis, mingled with many an embroidered coated European consul, and here and there an English, French, Austrian, German or Italian officer

in the uniform of his corps and ccuntry. To the right and the left of this gay assemblage sat many a comely dame or lovely maiden, attended by father, husband, brother or lover, all clad in sombre black, for they had been in uniform or official dress they must, by court etiquette, have gone over to swell the resplendent group who encircled the Khedive, amongst whom were Ahmed Arabi Pasha, the war minister, and Captain Frank Donelly, the latter clad in the brilliant scarlet and gold of the British cavalry service, for he had been dining with Sir Ed ward Malet, the consul-general, and afterwards, rather against his will, been induced to accompany him hither.

He was no longer sorry that he had come when he beheld Nellie Trezarr and her mother enter the circle, and it was not long ere the young lady saw him likewise and wondered that he cid not ceme over to her, rather despising him in her heart, in that she fancied he was afraid of her mother, and all unconscious that court etiquette prevented

his quitting the Khedival party. There was one present who read her thoughts and rejoiced in her mistake and evident chagrin, and he was Ahmed Arabi Pasha, who, far from having given up all hopes of making her his, had firmly resolved that his she should be directly the patiently for the hour should arrive, when kismet or dest ny should make him the master and ruler of Egypt and of a'l that it contained, though he had almost determined more than once that as a punishment for her treating his offer of marriage with so much disdain, he would no longer make her his wife, but merely one of the many beautiful slaves of his harem.

But the swarthy war minister's was not the only malevolent gaze that was fixed upon poor Nellie, for from behind the gilded lattice work that concealed the ladies of the Khedival harem from the view of the entire audience, whilst it permitted them to see house and stage alike, a pair of large, black, glorious eyes, soft as velvet, yet sharp as steel, were fixed alternately upon our heroine and her two admirers, taking fierce cognizance of the expressions of each, whilst the fire of fiercest hate was kindled in the heart of their possessor as she discovered that the rival was beloved by both,

The excellence of the music was as powerless to attract her attention as the rich dresses of the performers or the beauty of the mise-en-scene. A quarter of an hour ago she had longed for the spectacle, but now she had eyes for nothing but the objects her love and hate, and she would have given her very life to have been able to pluage a stiletto up to its very hilt in the white breast of her fairer and younger rival, and to watch her die with greatest agony first. Nor let these vengeful teelings on her part be wondered at, for Eastern blood is naturally hot and vengetul, and a life of idleness and seclusion is apt to increase and foster all that is evil in a nature that is never given to the study of aught that is good.

Despite the great heat of the night in the narrow streets, the interior of the theatre was kept deliciously cool by the continual fluttering of enormous punkas, worked by machinery. There was a free circulation of air to everywhere, and the lamps in the auditorium were not numerous enough to generate much heat of themselves; whilst below, in place of the European arrangement of pit and stalls, was marble pavement, with a foudtain in the centre that threw spray instead of water, which, instead of falling, seemed to dissolve into the atmosphere and tend to cool and moisten it.

The habitants of this part of the house had to move about with bare or stockinged or feltsoled feet, so that no noise should disturb those who sat above, but the lowest classes amongst the audience were accomedated as with us in the topmost circle or gal lery, and these celestials, like our own, were not always silent or well mannered, and had not the European portion of the spectators felt so secure in their self-conceit they might have noted many things to cause them

even more than uneasiness. But neither the marked disapprobation of the comic incantation scene which many of the baser class of spectators seemed to regard as an insulting burlesque on their own belief in the supernatural, or the growle and ejaculations that greated each appearance of the British grenadier officer who is one of the leading characters in the opera were regarded or noticed, and at the termination of the performance the audience began to disperse, the fashionable portion at all events well pleased with the amusement that had been afforded them, and Nellie Trezarr alone reseived any indication of danger in the future.

The warning came in the shape of a piece of rather thick writing paper folded in two, which was suddenly pushed into her white kid gloved hand by a huge and bare one as black as ebony from behind, but when she looked round she could give no guess as to its owner, so with a thrill she opened the paper and read in delicately traced characters : " The dove who hovers near the eagle's nest should beware its claws and beak."

Wreckless engineering is what is wanted on railroads and steamboats.

Girls, a delicate way of giving a young man a hint that he is acting too fresh is to treat him to pretzels.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

"Has he any expensive habits?" "H has one rather expensive one that I know

## PERSONALS.

King Milan is said to have the lar est foot of any man in Europe. It is planted pretty deeply in Bulgarian clay.

Jesse Grant denies with emphasis the rumors in regard to Mrs. Sartoris and the alleged unhappiness in her domestic life.

Albani recently sang before Queen Victoria, and had the choice between an India shawl and one of Her Majesty's published works as a souvenir. Of course she took the book.

Dr. Dio Lewis says "that wearing large, thick heavy boots and blue hand-knit stockings will improve a woman's complexion." We fear it will require more than this to kill the sale of face lotions and complexion powders.

An engine driver on a Saxon railway has just retired from a service of forty years, during which he has traveled on his locomotive, without a single accident, a distance of 253 347 miles, equal to forty seven journeys around the earth.

The footmen who wait solely upon the Queen of Sweden and her daughter wear a very quaint uniform, consisting of tunic, petticoat and breeches edged with gold lace. Their attire includes a wonderful headdress, consisting of a kind of embroidered skull-cap from which arises three ostrich feathers, none of whichis les than three feet high.

Elder L. R. Hurst, grandfather of the noted Miss Lulu Hurst, the electric girl. predicts the end of the world in 1932. He declares that the next year will witness symptoms of the coming event, after which startling developments will follow rapidly, such as the moon turning to blood, the sun wi hholding its light and a general derangement of things.

The Czar of Russia and Kaiser Franz Joseph of Austria had a fine time at Gastien. The bills for the entertainment of the Emperors and their suites have been sent in, and amount to \$200,000. The wine merchant's bill enumerates 1,500 bottles of old Rhine wises, 2,500 bottles of various French vintages, 3,000 bottles of champagne and 1,000 bottles of liquors.

Report comes from Tarin of the death, aged 77 years, of Father Giacomo, the friend of Cavour. For years he was the dispenser of that statem in's charities, and when the Count lay dying the priest went to receive his last confession and administer the last sacraments It was his privilege then to have addressed to him the statesman's last words in this world : "Brother, a free church is a free State."

Charles Heber Clark (Max Adler), lately converted, has some of the old man left in him still. He managed to raise a lively shindy in the Church Congress at New Haven and enjoyed the fun as much as the man in one of his own stories who, after submitting to a transfusion of goat's blood, got a globule in his brain at church and bucked the sexton up into the pulpit.

Ella Wheeler-Wilcox was born in 1850. and is said to be below medium height. spare in chest and shoulders, but with shapely arms and hands. Her eyes are hazel, with a peculiar amber tint, approaching yellow. Their color has once been poetically defined as old gold. A prominent chin imparts an attenuated aspect to her features. Her complexion is pale, with a transient bloom that appears on the cheeks under the stimulus of any mental excitement. Her hair is of that texture and shade of brown that is the uner ring indication of a refined nature. In phrenological development the imaginative qualities are strikingly prominent.

Col. Higginson writes to a Boston newspaper that the "shock" caused in Boston by Matthew Arnold's lecture on Emerson related, in the opinion of many persons, not so much to the subject of the lecture as the author. He recalls an anecdote of Mrs. Elizabeth Montague, who, while in Paris, was invited to hear Voltaire read an essay on Shakespeare, in which he attempted to show that the great poet was not a great poet. When Voltaire had finished reading the hope was expressed by some one present that the essay had not caused her pam. "Why should it pain me?' she said calmly, "I have not the honor to be one of the friends of M. de Voltaire."

## A Desolare Spot.

Isle Royal, where the ill-fated Algoras was lost, is the largest island in Lake Superior, and lying about forty-five miles south of Port Arthur. It is wholly American territory. Like other islands in the great in. land sea, it is rugged and rocky in character. It contains several mining locations of more or less value, and is a favorite resort for travellers in search of amethysts and agates. On a clear day it can be seen very easily with the naked eye from Port Arthur. The course taken by the C. P. R. steamer, which runs direct from Sault Ste. Marie to Port Arthur, passes close to the north-eastern extremity of the island. Its length northeast and southwest is about 45 miles, and its greatest breadth nine miles. Beyond a few fishing huts and mining camps it has little in the way of human habitations, and it has no permanent population. Copper veins have been discovered on the island, which must have been worked by a race of people now unknown a extinct. Here are to be found open cut. gs more than a mile in length, and connected by tunnels or drifts. which were timbered with beams now broken and decayed. The tools with which this pre-historic people worked, are still to be found scattered about the scenes of their long neglected labors. Stone hammers, copper knives and other tools have been found in these old workings in great abundance. The stone hammers ranged in weight from ten to thirty pounds. The copper tools were found to have been tempered by fire. At least one generation of forest trees has grown over workings made by this now forgotten people. There is a cluster of rocky islets located at the northeastern extremity of Isle Royal, some of which are mere reefs of solid rock scarcely rising above the surface of the water. For a steamer to run into one of these rocky labyrinths when there was a sea on would be swift and certain destruction, which could hardly be unattended with loss of life, for right beside these reefs and islets there is often found from ten to twenty fathoms of water. As far as can be learned at present it would seem that

this was the fate of the Algoma.