NEGYPTIAN ROMANCE.

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

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CHAPTER XLVIIL

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POTS DATGHTER IS ALREADY MY WIFE BY MOSLEM LAW." we in a very agitated and hysterstate by the time she got indoors.

of wine restored her in some but her agitation grew stronger gerer when Arabi Pasha entered the closely followed by a Ulema or Moslem op in long flowing robes and a Protestant
man in orthodox black coat and white

I hope you will not think me guilty of inseemly haste, Miss Trezarr," said hi Paha, coming forward. "My time to such an extent to my country I can devote but very little of it even ay nearest and my dearest. It is also of greatest importance, both for your sakes and your own, that you should shelter of my palace at Cairo, where at the populace are much less incensed hat your creed and race than they are Alexandria, where, perhaps, in a very while even the soldiers would refuse potect you. Your parents having ded that it will be for your supreme welthat you become my wife, I have here a of my faith and one of your own, in is that nothing may be wanting to make mion a sacred one, and believe me when that in the future you shall never retit." and here he came to a full stop and

red for a reply. Oh, Ged, have pity on me. I believe mean me well and that you love me but I cannot marry you. I am not yet Lty-four hours a widow and my heart is OR bloody grave of a murdered husband, dired by the fanatics of your creed."

The fanatics of all creeds murder upon win," replied the war minister, somethtterly, "and, besides, I gather from priest (pointing towards the Anglican man) that your marriage yesterday nets lawful one and that, therefore, you no husband. He says that being under rou could not have really married withpour parents' consent."

How came you to learn that I was marstall yesterday? I only informed my erpool, calling at least of the fact a quarter of an hour ago," bined our heroine, sharply.

ring summer acce the war minister looked confused for a Boston and Phile site, but then made answer : n Glasgov and M I cannot explain at length, but I know

n, weekly; and a merything that occurrs in Alexandria. other information accessity of my position and of the o., Baltimore; regarized times. Come, Miss Trezarr, St. John, N. 1 nther, my own Nellie, surely your & Alden, N min know what is best for you? They Allans, Rae & Compour natural protectors and your best our interests most at heart. You yield to their advice and entreaties, I

> In all other matters but this present. in this I would die rather." his looked very like a dead block and as

ight have proved had not the Anglican gyman came to the rescue. doubt he was a well meaning man and moreover, grateful to the war minister hiving preserved his life, an event that

taken place an hour previously. In France," said the minister, "which ed not say is a Christian country—to a textent at least—parents marry their im without their having any voice in matter, and I have been told that such riages, as a rule, turn out happier than wherein daughters are left to choose themselves. Perhaps it would not be

to follow such precedent except in excases, but where such important mare at issue as in the present instance m-haw—that is to say—" Quite so, my dear sir—quite so. I catch

meaning perfectly. And you would sided, if I hadn't interrupted you, this is just one of those cases—aw—aw tere a beloved child is non compes men-7 reason of severe and repeated shocks system, and so really does not knew is good, proper and right for her to

his excited tones from Mr. Trezarr, the clergyman nodded assent. Then the ceremony shall proceed," said

lesarr, still more rapidly than before. marriage is the dearest wish of both hther's and mother's hearts, we knew the for her future interest, happiness relfare, and that her choice—that is to teir choice—is a noble-minded, largeed this may are patriot, whom history will pronounce present man of his age—the preserver country—the—the—the—and so

> must this juncture that an Egyptian demestic, somewhat showily appareled, ght in a tray of refreshments and laid it

timble costs die and also screwed up his mouth in liking pare di kind of a way, yet she noticed neith-

the fellow did not seem to be one bit coerted, for the next instant he perthe same impressive though not pararly expressive pantomime right in Mr. an's face, as the banker stood somewhat from the rest and nigh unto the door, hen he said in impressive, but low-You'il get inte a mess, old you'll fall between two steels, you

the many of paper proved to be a cutting ticed this and bit his lip savagely. the morning's Commerce, a daily paper and in Alexandria, and though he not take time to read it all through, sught its full significance.

an official notice from the Khedive, that in view of the vast number of and actually starving, owing to the Rof the European places of business and Cairo, his highness would had against any loss at the hands of hos all who would be bold enough to or shops and carry on their re-

that at the same time no Europeans should be entitled to any indemnity who had, save under compulsion amounting to fear of death, afforded any aid to or resorted with the rebels, whether such aid consisted in money, arms, rations, or even their open countenance and support, but, on the contrary, their wealth should be confiscated, and they themselves should be out-lawed," and then the proclamation went on to say that "with the aid of his highness's allies the rebellion would very shortly be quelled and order re-

stored throughout Egypt." The expression of Mr. Trezarr's face when he had finished reading was the most comical one imaginable.

"Wealth confiscated ! outlawed ! for only consorting with rebels? By Jove, what then will become of me for bestowing my daughter on this arch rebel and availing myself of his pretection and countenance all through the three as quickly as possible regain the entire affair if the Khedive's party only get the upper hand again ? Can that ase, Gladstone, really mean anything more than his usual bounce, I wonder ? Arabi has persuaded me, and I've persuaded myself, too, that it will be all smoke and no fire, just as it was at Daleigno. I wish I knew what those d-- ironclads really meant to be about."

Thus the banker reflected, and it might have been as well perhaps if he had not reflected quite so long, for the war minister at this moment came up with a smiling face to inform him that the Ulema had done his work, that the Moslem marriage rite was over and that the Christian one was about to be commenced. .

"Don't you think that after all the second ceremony had better be postponed," stammered Mr. Trezarr. "At all events for few days; yes, for a few days, we will

"That is as you like," responded Arabi. with a slight elevation of the brows. "The second ceremony was to satisfy your own scruples. Your daughter is already my wife by Moslem law, and as my wife I shall assuredly henceforth treat her."

"You told me your position was quite se cure. That the fleets would only threaten !" "I said rightly. Look out of the window and you will see the entire French squadron steaming away toward Port Said. The British will soon follow them."

"I hope so; I really hope so. But it seems to me that the ships of every other nation are getting away as well, and under every inch of canvas that they can spread." Arabi gave utterance to what sounded

very like an oath, as glancing in turn toward the window he perceived that Mr. Trezarr spoke the truth.

"It looks strange, as though they were running from some apprehended immediate ladelphis; H. Hen, your truest friends, and those that danger," said he. "True I received the British admiral's ultimatum yesterday, but of course it is merely an idle threat made to please and humbug the bondholders. A British Liberal government will hardly dare to trample under foot a national uprising such as ours, I therefore say again, as I have often said before, that it is Daleigno re peated."

Hardly had the words quitted his lips, however, when a senorous beom came frem seaward that caused every window in the house to shake, and it was quickly followed by an awful roar as though the very heavens had been rent asunder. The terrible bombardment of Alexandria had commenced.

CHAPTER XLIX.

IN WHICH THE CANNON ROAR AND THE DUMB SPEAK,

The voice of the " leud mouthed artillery" speke only one sentence to Mr. Trezarr, and kept on repeating that sentence, which took the form of "You've fallen between two steels, for it's all up with Arabi. You've fallen between two stools, for it's all up with Arabi." The bombardment opened, he knew that Great Britain had gone too far to recede with honor, too far to be able to back out without disgrace, and that she stood irrevocably pledged to stand by her protege, Prince Tewfik.

But the effect of the roaring of the cannon, the rattling of the Gatlings and Nordenfeldts and the shrieking hiss of the rockets had a very different effect on Arabi Pasha to that it had on any of the other auditors in that room assembled.

It seemed to change his aspect, usually so

"I have been deceived, betrayed, lured on by false hopes only to be crushed at last by the most unexpected of events. Carse the British government for not being consistent in its duplicity and for raising the lying cry of 'Wolf ! Wolf !' so often that at last no one believed that the animal would ever be unchained. But this is no time for idle words, for great deeds are expected of me, he turned round to retire, he winked and by Allah and the prophet, great deeds shall yet be wrought. Ladies and gentlemen, you must at once take refuge in the ing. underground cells and cellars, where alone you will be safe, for this building stands directly open to the fire of as least three of the British irenclads, whose huge balls may at any moment knock it into a shapeless heap of stones, and yet you are a hundred times safer here than you would be in the streets," he said.

Nellie's expressio. of face betokened that she felt safer non than she had done five and finished up by pressing something minutes previously, before the bombardment had commenced, and the war minister ne-

He clapped his hands thrice, and then walking across to her said brusquely :

"You are my wife, little one, whether minute or less had glanced over you like it or ne, and se you will have to submit to the will of Allah and to centent yourself with what cannot be avoided.

He threw his arm around her and would | freedom. the population who were thrown out have kissed her had she not struggled view lently and so escaped the embrace,

Her mether did not consure ber for so doing, but sat phlogmatically still, and Mr. Trezarr did not even notice the action, for he was still muttering "D-Gladstone !" their banks, counting houses, man-

tride or businesses as usual; but Arabi Pastic plately enough indiced

change in Nellie's parents' sentiments teward him, and equally plainly knew the

"If after all I can climb to the top of the tree and maintain myself there I will show them that I remember it, and give them good reason for remembering it also," he muttered to himself, but as his two orderlies at this juncture entered the room in answer to his handelapping he turned round and said to them:

"Ratib and Khassim, escort these, my honored guests, below stairs and make such empty cells as you have at disposal as comfortable for them as possible, with carpets and other necessaries taken from the rooms above. Place at their service as a guard over them-a guard, I mean to say, for their protection—such men as you can depend on for fidelity, and remember that you two will have to answer to me with your lives, if necessary, for whatever evil happens to them whilst they are in your keeping." Having thus issued his instructions he

turned again to Mr. and Mrs. Trezurr and said:

"You will do well to at once follow my orderlies, and to take your daughter, my

wife, with you." He then again tried to take Nellie's hand, and this time she gave it him, for she did not like to part with any one in anger, especially when there was a possibility that encouraged by this action, he essayed to kiss her, she once more repulsed him and her eyes flashed angrily as she did so. He made no further effort, but said, some-

what pointedly: "Farewell, then, my wife, until we next meet," and nedding haughtily to them whom he considered to be his father and mether-in-law he adjusted his sword and

sallied out of the room. No sooner had he gone than the orderlies (the same two who, on the preceding day, cenducted Captaia Denelly to his place of his imprisonment), made a sign to the Trezarr party to follow them, which they lost no time in doing. They soon found themselves in a narrow passage, and descending a semewhat steep incline into what was evidently, from the humid smell that came

up from below, some sort of a subterranean. When they had got to the bettom they came to ranges of deers on either side, some of which were open, others closed and fastened with heavy chains and bars.

A minute or two later she beheld her father and the clergyman pushed into one of these presumed dungeons, whilst a few seconds more saw her mother and herself the tenants of another, and before leaving them there one of the orderlies said in mixture of French and Egyptian, which Nellie could just make out the meaning of :

"We must lock you up, but not so much to prevent your getting out as to hinder others from getting in to out your throats. But that our lives would pay the forfeit we would gladly do that ourselves, but as his excellency would have our heads, even if others did it, we will take the greatest care of you, for great is the self love of most

outside even to half the height of the window, and the bottom of that is at least four feet above our heads as we stand upright. Oh, there is a strange noise at the door."

"I believe it is some one trying to speak to us through the keyhole. Hist, Neliie.' At first it sounded like a mere blowing through the keyhele—a blowing that was first cousin to a human whistle, howeverbut on Nellie going close over to the door and bending her head down until it was almost on a level with the lock, the whistle changed into painly articulated words, and this was what the words were :

"I'm dumb, but I've my wits about me, so cheer up, for fair and easy goes far in a day and all's well what ends well, only the ending ain't come."

Then the voice ceased and the seund of stealthy receding footsteps took its place.

CHAPTER L.

STONE WALLS DO NOT A PRISON MAKE, NOR IRON BARS A CAGE.

Surely no propphesy, even of the Sphinx, could have been much more incomprehensible to the uninitiated than the one which had just been telephened through the key-

It was intended to give hope, that was certain, and it was spoken in English, which perhaps, was the most hopeful thing about it, but more than those two facts had to be guessed at.

It is impossible to detect the natural tones of a man's voice when it is sent through such an erifice, more especially when it is reduced to a whisper, so that calm and benignant, into that of a perfect | Nellie, convinced of the futility of the attempt, soon gave up even guessing, and her mother had never commenced to guess.

had both ladies occupied their minds in that manner, since it would in some degree have relieved the menotony of their confinement, fer it was impossible for either of them to climb up and look out of the upper portion of the little square window (the lower half was beneath the level of the ground outside) as Frank Denelly had dene in his cell the preceding day, but was not now do-

The reader may wender at this and think it most strange that he should not be seeing all that he could see of the momentous events that were occurring without.

But the fact was that like a true Irishman Frank didn't care much about a row unless he could plunge into the very middle of it; and besides, he was turning the terrible excitement and the terrific din to (as he most sincerely heped) better account in another

For he had found in one of his peckets one of those knives that seem to comprise an entire tool chest, the majority of his instruments being o'erlapped at the back by a crocked picker for getting a stone out of a horse's shoe, and the young officer had taken it into his head that with it he might be able to pick his way through a stone wall to

He thought he remembered that the cell next to his own on the right was uncocu-

pled and the deer open. If, therefore, he could tunnel through the wall into it he would have no further obpoles to overcome save the living one

Egyptian mortor is very poor and Egyptain | lady, if ye was as deaf and dumb stone of a very soft and crumbling nature, | selt ?" he new discovered that in all probability his tack would be an easier one than he had

at first calculated on. As, however, under the most favorable circumstances, it will take several hours to accomplish, we will leave him at his monotoneus labors and perhaps pop back to see how he gets on by and by. For the present, place aux dames.

Not that we shall gain much by the change of scene, for one prison cell is very like another, and even lady captives are not wont to be very lively companions.

Once their dungeon door was opened t admit of a quantity of rugs and oushions being thrown in, to which was presently added a basket of somewhat dainty come stibles, a jug of sherbet and a couple of chibouques, with the necessary accompani-

Nellie spread out the rugs, arranged the cushions, and generally set their little room in order, though more for a mether's case and comfert than her own.

Meanwhile, the thunder of the monster guns continued without interruption, mingled with the shrieking hiss of rockets and the hoarse rattle of the Nordenfeldts and Garde 1s.

Nellie would have given much had she only been able to clamber up to the windew she would never see them more. But when to look out, but there was no wooden up the nose with beeswax and starve the stretcher bedstead in this cell, as in Frank Donelly's, to drag underneath to mount on, and even had there been, with the block pillow as well, Nellie, when standing atop of both, would still have been too short by a good head and shoulders to have been able to see out.

> As for eating, she felt that the mere attempt would choke her, but the cool, refreshing sherbet was most grateful to her parched throat and her hot, fevered lips; for, added to her mental terture and the deep grief which she felt for her husband's supposed death and which she did not dare to express openly, the blows and lashes which the cruel and vindictive princess had inflicted on her still pained her excessively.

Once or twice she wondered how her father and the Anglican clergyman were getting on in the adjoining cell on the right, and oftener still she wondered what a strange kind of scraping noise would betoken against the other side of the wall on their left, which, having a very sharp ear, she could plainly distinguish whenever there was any perceptible lull in the fury of the bombardment.

When she called her mother's attention to the fact the good lady said first of all that it was sheer imagination, and then declared all of a sudden that she heard it distinctly, and that it was the death watch and forebolied their own immediate slaughter.

This cheerful way of regarding the phenomenon hindered Nellie from making any further reference to it, and so the day wore on, and on, and at last the increasing darkness (where it had been dimness and gloom from the first) told them that night was at hand; indeed, the shrill Muzzin cry, which from the many minarets rose above "I don't think that anything can hurt us | even the thunder of the artillery, had prohere," said Nellie, "for the ground rises | claimed the sunset seme minutes previously. even as in peice and war alike it had proclaimed it for nearly two thousand years.

All at once, too, the roar of the cannon, which had continued without intermission for ten hours, ceased, and the stillness appeared heavy eppressive after so much noise. And yet it was not a complete silence, for

new that all other sounds were still, that monetenous scraping and tapping could be heard mere plainly than ever, as well as Mrs. Trezarr's oft repeated ejaculation of "The death watch! The death watch! No doubt about it!"

It seemed to give the good lady a kind of morbid satisfaction to be centinually croaking forth an ill oraened prediction, but after awhile Nellie ceased to hear it, and for the simple reason that sheer exhaustien at length won the victory over her mental and and dreamless sleep.

'Twas destined, however, to be only of a very few hours' continuance, and to be disturbed in a very strange, alarming and unaccountable manner, for she was suddenly aroused by some one tumbling over her, and then as she opened her eyes, she felt two hands feeling her face and heard a voice exclaim in half angry and half despairing accents:

"All my labor has been in vain, then I thought this cell was empty and the door open, instead of which here is another unfortunate, and doubtless as securely locked up as I was. I have turned two dangers into one, that is all, confound it."

"Nellie, don't be talking in your sleep," grunted Mrs. Trezerr in a semi-conscious state, but the fair girl never heard the pretest, for her heart stood still at the sound of that other voice, which seemed to be so strangely familiar to her.

word to him most important of them, the excited whisper:

" For God's sake, speak. I cannot, dare not ask who you are. Speak ! speak !" But there was no need of speech, for at that instant the electric light from one of the British ironclads (again searching along the shere to discover what the Egyptians were about inside their batteries) threw a radiance as of a newborn day into the dungeen cell and showed the wife unto the husband and the husband unto the wife.

In a mement Nellie had sprung to her feet and thrown herself into Frank's arms with a glad cry; whilst Mrs. Trezarr, turning her heavy head on the pile of cushions which she had heaped underneath it ere consigning herself to the arms of Morpheus, at last succeeded in opening her eyes, which ne seener had she dene than (taking in what leeked very like a most ghostly stage tableau with lime-light effects) she screamed out: "Their spirits! Their spirits! I knew that the death watch didn't tick for nothing," and would undoubtedly have gone into hysterics under the supposition that her daughter had been dragged forth and murdered whilst she slept, and that her ghost, in company with her previously slaughtered husband's, had come to visit her in this melodramatic manner, had not yet another cause of alarm acted as an antidote.

This second cause of alarm lay in the sudden opening of the dungeon door and a volce exclaiming thereat, in an angry whisper :

Dry up, will yo? Bedad me. If the favmale tonghes don't best a mill whisel cling. I wender how ye'd hear it, old

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SEASONABLE SMILES.

Awfully bored—Artesian wells, A sweet letter-A candied a vewel. Has a big boom-The full schooner.

Gladstone's favorite composer. Chepin. Isn't an attempt to prove an alibi self-denial?

A false face—The face of the girl who ilts you.

When the car drivers strike they do not break anything. A vessel is called she because you see her

bow before meeting her. Foun'-dry men : Most saloenkeepers have had this experience.

Young ladies and young men too had better be fast asleep than fast awake.

"All men are equal before the law." Yes, before the law, but after it gets hold of them then it's different. When a man planks down his awl for his

board is it a fair inference that his finances are knot hole ? A sure cure for cold in the head is to stop

A witty fellow who was called on to drag

off a large dead horse said it was a cold-hossal affair to move. What is the difference between a farmer and a burglar? One tills the land and the

other "lands" the till. You may break, you may shatter that \$18,000 vase if you will, but the scent of the dellar will hang round it still.

Occasionally a good idea comes from Prussia. She has just ordered the poet Krazowski to return to prison.

Iron is much cheaper than gold, and still there is more demand for gold, and it requires some brass to get it.

The only way in which to permanently settle the Indian question is to permanently settle the country they live in.

The new song entitled "That bouquet bought for a dellar," premises to be a greater favorite with the ladies than "Only a pansy blossom." The difference between the modern pugi-

list and organized labor is that when the latter strikes it hits something. A woman who was disguised as a man was found out from the fact that there were

no suspender buttons in her pocket. Why is a lawyer swindling a baby heir like a person taking in a breath of pure atmosphere? Because he is "taking in" a

little fresh heir. "All the clothes he bought me was a bunch of hair and a nail brush," was the wall of a woman in court the other day,

who was applying for a divorce. "Wall," said the granger, "what be that ticker worth ?" pointing to an ernate and intricate piece of time-recording mechanism on the shelf. "That, sir," said the clerk, "is a wonderful time-piece. It is worth two hundred dollars, and will run three years without winding." "Great Scott !" gasped the granger. "Three years without winding! Say, mister, how long would the thing run if she was wound up?"

Buried in a Stone Jar.

Near Burkesville, Ky., on the Camberland River, a man named Raven was one day fishing off the bank, This was in 1866. or a year later. The bank was of clay, six or eight feet above the water, and Raven sat with his legs hanging ever. He had been sitting there for an hour. swinging his heels against the bank, when other sufferings and plunged her into a deep | his beet struck semething which gave out a curious sound, and he instinctively looked down. Between his feet he saw a stone jar, or at least a portion of one, protruding from the bank. It was at least four feet below the surface, and he had considerable trouble to unearth it. When he had done so, however, and removed the wooden cover fastened over the mouth, he found the contents to consist of a gold watch, three or four gold rings, six silver teaspoons, \$300 in Kentucky State bank bills, \$50 in gold, \$20 in silver half dollars, and about a quart of dimes and five-cent pieces. Although the jar was tightly corked, the dampness had got in and mildewed the bank notes until they fell to pieces in his hands. Had they been all right, hewever, they would have been of no intrinsic value, as all the State bank circulation had given place to greenbacks. Speculation as to who planted the jar brought no clue to the owner further than that it could The ewner thereof had, hewever, caught | have been no resident of the country. It Perhaps it would have been just as well Mrs. Trezarr's words, or at all events the had probably been in the ground many years, for the river had been eating away name of Nell, and now he exclaimed in an at the bank with each freshet, and finally brought a portion of the jar to light. It must have been buried six or eight feet from the bank at first.

A Canadian Dog Story.

A lad was crossing the fields in the country, some distance from any dwelling. when he was pursued by a large and fierce dog belonging to the gentleman whose land he was crossing. The lad was alarmed and ran fer his life. He struck into a piece of weeds and the deg gained on him, when he looked around to see how near the creature was, and, tumbling over a stone, he pitched over a precipice and broke his leg. Unable to move, and at the mercy of the beast, the poor fellow saw the dog coming down upon him, and expected to be seized and torn, when, to his surprise, the dog came near, and, perceiving the boy was hurt, instantly wheeled about and went for that aid which he could not render himself. There was no one within reach of the child's voice, and he must have perished there or have dragged his broken limb along and destroyed it, so as to render amputation necessary, if the deg had not brought help. The deg went off to the nearest house and barked for help, Not seceiving the attention, he made another visit of sympathy to the boy, and then to the house, there making such demonstrations of anxiety that the family followed him to the place where the child