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THE ANCESTRAL GHOST: The Haunted Room at Membling Hall. (CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.)

Yet there were fingers at her throat, and just then Laura would have sacrificed all the honor and glory of the family ghost could she have found herself safe utide that dreadful door with the bar Let down to keep them in. Or, suppose her ancestor had appeared, hungering, tavening for a life, I believe she would have given up her lover in the same spirit of duty as prompted Agamemnou to sacrifica I highia, so as to get out et the mess with as much case and safety as possible. But all that they had heard und seen were mere trifles, bagatelles, skittles, apple tast, compared to what up the luminous depths of her large soft they were about to see. hey were about the see. Saddenly the bells which had been ring-

ing a melodious peal, and the kettledrugis, which had been beating a muffled harmony, clashed and clanged in a horrible discord, at the hearing of which Laure mounch and ground, shile Jack, cauching her hard, as it for his own safety, muratured declarically, 'N-n-in-politag e-e-ecan palalither—hand here bis taws stuck and he sold forc. of the litouse, and is good enough to For, at the clarg as tells in or the bells, watch over it after his passing away, can

but it was lighted by a large window at to hear the story. Laura was obliged to the end, and a long narrow window at be at home every atternoon. Jack was the side. The glimmer from the snow not allowed to leave her chair, in order without gave sufficient light for the m- to be ready to correspond any statement.

Then there began a wailing, plaintive because a certain storility of imagination muster, a trile never heard on earth, torbade those developments of facts which seemed this the bells and the which are necessary in a perfect ghost drums, to be played around them, above story. But he could put in a word them below them. And while this weird by way of proof, and was immensely useand ghostly tune was slowly played tall as a witness. A ghost, like a miracle, there appeared suddenly, not, said Laura requires the testimony of two or more atterwards, as if they sprang from the credible persons. ground or dropped from the skies, "I shall never;" said Laura, "never but suddenly, as if they came again bear to hear the least frivolous or from nowhere, three skeletons. In scotling allusion to the appearance of the dim light one could discern their spirits. The subject will always be asthe dimarigne one count ansectation she dimarignes one count ansectation she dimarignes one count ansectation she dimarignes with she dimarigness with sociated in my mind with a manifestation heard nothing; then?"

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that there was a glean of artificial light in the doorway, which showed that the loor was open She rushed to the place; the great bar was gone; the door was jar; Laura yelied for help, rushed through, and felt headlong in the passge . The cause of her fall, I am ashamed oray, was no other than Jack limself tho srushed after her. Both fell down, ike Jack and Jill, and lay sprawling to ether.

That evening Laurs did not appear at diffice; ther mother sent for the dector, and she was ordered to bed, Somebody sat up all night with her, and in the morning she was delirious; the system, id the doctor, had sustained it severe

As for Jack he ordered his things to be get ready at once, and drove straight back to Colchester, leaving word that he wis ordered back of regimental duty. when he got there he was fain to nk so much soda and brandy that he, liker Laura, was put to bed.

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Laura's sisisters envied her; Loura's gown, such as he usually were in his life or the gracious smile till after his mark proud of the distinction, as one may call it."

The Squire laughed pleasantly.

"Yes, we have our ghost, and I assure when or my day of life the night is falling for the gracious smile till after his mark proud of the distinction, as one may call it."

And the winds from unsumed spaces blown. It was falling the proud of the distinction, as one may call it."

uess which bolongs, somehow, to all perprivileged to hold communication with the outer world. She sat in shadowy corners, or in the dim firelight without a lamp, in the long and dark room called the therary, where she told her story with dasped hands, while the light of the fire reddened her pale check and showed eyes; her auditors gathered round her cauching breathlessly at her words, and looking over their shoulders on the chance or seeing the spectre behind them. But he never came. "My great-grandfather," said Laura, "will nover, I am persuaded, leave the room in which he has chosen to dwell. Let us have no fear. Indeed," she added, smiling sadly, why should we lear? He who restored the fortunes

the curtains tell be of the kild lows, and they were in darkness absoluted doubt to does hear, all that is said and doubt in the hall, therefore let us speak was taken away, and doubter boom oper. done in the hall, therefore let us speak of him with the reverence and awe which ed to their eyes. he deserves."

There was bothing at all in this room, They came from all parts of the country

truding pair to see the things which pre- He short as the losser light, not being sented themselves: The bells stopped, the drums stopped, cause he was not a good racenteur, and

"hear the blessing?

"No, I did not, replied Jack.

pers were uneasy."

"I cannot understand, now, how I cather, so they disappeared, as suddenly, it cannot understand, now, how 1 Laura receiving visitors and telling the disappeared, as suddenly, as stienty.

But the music, the supernatural, weird, and ghostly music, went on, and then and ghostly music, went on, and then as in his presence, behaved with peracel. For, is it is had stopped from What reassured me music, and convinced the supernatural weights and sometimes and near the weights and the supernatural weights and then the final manifestation appeared. For, is it is had stopped from What reassured me music, and convinced the supernatural weights and heard things; that was undeniable. But he been dining in the college hall and spend-transport to supernatural weights and heard things; that was undeniable. But he been dining in the college hall and spend-transport to supernatural weights and heard the supernatural weights and the supernatural weights

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Lord Mayor's day. Did ever man hear ty. "The manifestations ended with no ing into the engagement, foreson that daughters; how a banaboe belongs to mand, so to speak, a private orchestra of his own, to play at his coming?

The mere telling of the story became a spoke as if Julius Casar himself, or own. spoke as if Julius Cosar himself, or even to get married, "unless," he added with heard of your ancient ghost." George King Alfred, had been the first of the unusus bitterness, "you are going to put it as if the ghost had been established

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proud of her; the story brought shegres in the string of the gracious smile till alter, his marriage.

Laura reflected, sweetly, holding her have have have have have no clothes. Absurd! hands clasped and her head a little at one so well authenticated a ghost as it is beth. Dux femina facti.

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"Add yet," murmured a triumphant laura reflected, sweetly, holding her hands clasped and her head a little at one so well authenticated a ghost as it is thought crossed her mind that, it would lieve?"

Matter, as has been proved over and over thought crossed her mind that, it would lieve?"

"Yes. You soo we would not have the Matter, as has been proved over and over a gain, can always be represented visibly be a pity to give ap such a good-natured, by spirits. Prov go on, Mais Membling good-looking, well-to-do lover for the sake of a ghost whom, perhaps, she would a more interesting tions, met with a more interesting periece than this of yours. It will confound every scortic."

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go on."

"As he moved he turned his face towards us and smiled. You saw him smile, Jack, as plainly as I did."

"He would not smile for a stranger," said the spiritual st.

"The most benignant countenance; from her ghost, whose home was not further sweetest smile; the kindest look in this oyes; with long silvery looks and g white beard. As he disappeared, he raised his hand as if to bestow his benies. You saw that Jack 21 that the ghost might feel oftended at the departure of the one member of the form. Their power to be seen and heard is given look when he had condescended to reveal him murning a blessing as he disappeared."

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"He disappeared."
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"And went into the other wall."
"He came out of one wall," said Jack, and went into the other wall."
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have falled upon the family.

Among he members of the Dalmaloy family was a first cousin of Jack's, a young fellow of an enquiring mind, who was reading at Cambridge for mathematical man to his cousin on the joyful occasion, and man to his cousin on the joyful occasion, and joined the weeding party at Member 1 and joined the weeding party at Member 2 and joined t "And did you," asked the spiritualist. "No. I did not, replied Jack.
"The blessing," explained the scientific specialist, "was for the house alone. You man to his cousin on the joyful occasion, man to his cousin on the joyful occasion, auspicious morning. The house was

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ancestor would come with us to our new "However, ghosts; only walk at night, home and abide with us?"

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ite amount of discussion it was further ter the room unless alone and after lark." covenan ed that the day should be the last day of April. This gave them a clear "Yet I think it would be most injulicious." wards us and smiled. You saw him smile, Jack, as plainly as I did."

"Well," said Jack, with hesitation, "he certainly wagged his head, and I saw his beard wobble but I can't honestly say that I saw him smile."

"He would not smile or a stranger,"

"He would not smile for a stranger,"

"In excitement of the time that follow."

"Yet I think it would be most injudicious to invade the privacy of the room—after ordered lack to his garrison work to be dark. Everything that we know, my during the work of a believer—"everything that we have learned respecting apparitions, the manners and customs, the photorenees, so the stranger,"

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room immediately.

With a cheorful mien George Dalma

hoy proceeded to the haunted chamber. TO BE CONTINUED.

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GRAVE AS WELL AS GAY.

pading For Leisure Moments for Old

Thou who hast made my home of life so pleas ant, as a nade my nome or me so pass ave not the tenant when its walls decry;). love divine; O helper ever present, Be they my strength and stay. Be near me when all else is from me distilue, Earth, sky, home's pictures, days of shade and shine.

And kindly faces to my own applifting the love which answers mine.

I have but thee, my Father; let thy spirit Be with me, then, to comfort and withhold. No gate of pearl, nor branch of paint! merit, Nor atreet of shining gold. Suffice it if-my good or ill unreckoned.

And both forgiven through thy abound graci-(and thyself by hands familian beckoned into my fitting place,

Some humble door, among the many manisions, Some sheltering shade, where sin and striving cease, and, flows forever through heaven's green expausions.
The rivers of thy peace.

Phere, from the music round me stealing. I fain would learn the new and holy song ; And find at last, beneath thy trees of healing. The life for which I long. OUTWITTING FATE!

Mrs. Bentham was going on a journey and had refused to lev-Mr. Bentham accompany her. It was in vain he urged, argued, coased or commanded; his wite until at the should remain at home, until at the expiration of one week, when he would be at liberty to follow her.

"I will take Katie with nie and leave to home with you." Then if any leave.

"Then we will do as you seem to have lecided, I suppose—go in detachments. It will spread us over a good deal of ground and it seems to be a challenging of fate sather than almeans of safety?"

"I am not a fatalist, but I do believe the safety is a safety."

"I am not a latalist, but I do believe at taking common precautions for safety, if the cars run off the track when I am going, they will not be likely to when you notlow, or vice versa. If the steamer sinks you and Johiny will be left to tell the tory. Whole families are swepted the or a great travelling together."

11 would peters, Anna, that we should be together it may thing such as you suggest happened. That is sentiment, Edward," answer the vice will be together it may thing such as you suggest happened. That is sentiment, Edward," answer the together it has been the remaining the which the one has left, and continue it to the old."

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"Are you not putting yourself in the place of Providence, Anna?" asked Mr.

Bontham; 'you seem to have arranged our little scheme of existence on a plan of your own."

will take care of little brother."

Katie began to cry. 'I want my papa.'
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It was very, vexations and her mother ordered the berth made up, and at an arrival property of the best brother ordered with the child. But the control of the best was a safe or best was a safe not to sleep. Her head ached sadly, and Katie was restless and, breathed as it should be were going to have one of those terrible holding hightmares. Then slie realized the fact that she had forgotten the does that all voice of the ways circle her. The bottle was at home in the little medicine closet in her room, it might as well have been in Fiji.

Sure enough, the symptoms increased and soon the child was in a high fever, moaning and troubled in her sleep, and worth the porter was called and asked if he lad any remedies at Land—such as cann ther with an less than the such as cann there with an experimental section.

tween the folds of the curhis a quarter," she mu the welcome draught; "I states me for the wife of he road, or does he give ravelling alone the same Katio, who yawned

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