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a little lamp she bore in her hand. I saw BY W. J. WATERS.

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The heavy thud of the trap-door fell upon a vaulted cellar. A heavy door barred out my ears as the final seal to my miserable further progress, but Nathalie took from her ate; and in a moment my self-control, pocket two keys, one of which unfastened which had hitherto stood by me, gave way. the heavy door and admitted us into an-Till now no sound had passed my lips. Now other vaulted cellar slightly smaller than the in ignorance of their nefarious calling, till by me that I should be throwing away to no tall old man, evidently a gentleman, with force against the bottom and sides of the recess in the wall, covered at the top by hest. Soon my knees were gashed and sliding wooden doors, which were fastened

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tionless and almost breathless. Then, some quenched its flame; but just overhead been there lately. there was a gas lamp which poured down a

stood. I could see the girl's face was agitat- dree, vour day." ed, and tears soon began to rise in her soft bare, and I could feel the trickle of the warm eyes. As yet I had spoken no words of long?" I asked. blood from the self-inflicted wounds. At thanks to her as my deliverer, but now, last exhaustion came, and, after a final effort though I had perished for it, I could not reof despair, my senses left me, and I lay un- sist the impulse to take her hand in mine conscious, I know not how long, in my living and raise it reverently to my lips. She did not resist; but her hand trembled like a Unconscious! and yet the nightmare leaf, and she withdrew it, and, with a look phantons which affrighted my exhausted of anxious terror in her face, whispered brain-the horrible dreams I dreamt that "Go. Go at once. You are in great dan- the cafe again. night-were vivid and real as no dreams of ger till you are out of this house. Make mine had ever been before. Now I was haste. Make haste, for perhaps they will

birds'-nesting, or apple stealing, or wander- miss me and come tosearch." ing along the towing path of the canal which I was young in those days, and many ran almost at the bottom of the garden of a young men, more prudent than I am, in my house my father occupied when I was a situation would probably have decided as I school-boy, or taking a voyage on one of the did, that prudence for a time must stand barges from lock to lock. Now, I was at my aside. I broke out into some wild reckless Tinting, lessons, or, more trictly speaking, copying speech. The girl buried her face in her my Latin exercise from my neighbor's book. hands, as I told her how I loved her, and How plainly I marked in my trance the wen would tear ber at any cost from this house of lines of which would never fail to gather sweet, God knows how sweet, to me; when, I hurried on, and there surely enough was not the only bank-note forgers in Engthemsel es into the similitude of the feline standing at the mouth of this pit of death, the triangular space at the end, and there land; and, strong as was the circumstantial smile of the villainous assassin who had lured that confession, which is made, I trow, to me to destruction. Now I was passing most men sooner or later was made to me. through the crowded street, and upon every Surely no manhadever told his love and knew its shutters closed, and a handbill in one face I met I saw the same false, cruel smile. he was loved in return under strange condi. Upon every one ?-no. One there was which tions. No gentle face covered with blushes, wore the same look of gratitude-almost of no softly whispered "Yes" assured me of my affection-I first saw when I consented to happiness, but a countenance full of fear put my foot into the net whose infernal and agony for my safety, and a few hoarselymeshes had now closed over my head. Was uttered words, "Go; run from this place as it real gratitude, or, if real, would it be fast as you can. They will kill you if they guiltless? All these images passed before find you, and I shall be your murderess; but

me vivid as life; but there was beneath I will die with you." them all a dreadful semi-consciousness that. Thus her secret was told, and all the world they only veiled with their trailing garments knows how men are ever ready to listen to something more horrible than death itself - such discourse once and once again; but the torments of starvation-just as I had suddenly the thought flashed upon me that I heard that a patient under chloroform, in was guilty of gross selfishness in risking dethe midst of the narcotic trance, is dimly tection, and consequent danger to Nathalie, conscious of what he may be undergoing at by delaying my flight. I took her in my to an end at last, and I awoke to sprang upward into liberty.

the hands of the operator. But it came arms and kissed her passionately, and then horror and silence and darkness. Weary I looked around me for a moment or two as I was, with my brain fit to burst, and when I glanced back I saw that the and every joint stiffened by my violent heavy folding doors were already closed, and struggles and my cramped position, every all was silent. But the minute after a light sence was keen and active as ever. I flashed through the glass above the entrance heard the stroke of two upon the bell of the deor, and I heard a sound as of bolts and clock in the room above, and soon after chains being unfastened. I was not out of something like the scrambling of a rat near danger yet, perhaps. There was a light fog my head. In my waking hours and in my in the streets, just enough to make all the strongest health I always had a horror of houses look exactly alike. I ran down the these brutes, and now this scratching reviv. court as fast as I could, turning now to the ed in tenfold force my sense of aversion. right and now to the left in the maze Now it was scampering about on the case streets. I kept on till I was fairly out o. itself-I seemed to feel already the clawing breath, and when I stopped I had not the feet in my flesh. Perhaps ere long it might faintest idea where I was, for in the find a way into the case to some purpose. the names of the streets I had passed through Wild with horror, I drove my fist with all could hardly have been legible, even had I had my force against the door, and it flew time to look at them in my flight from my pursuers whom I figured as following in my track. Suddenly a turning brought me into a street which I recognized as Endell my way leisurely into Holborn, and there I

I made no pretence of going to bed that o' furniture." most as paralyzing to my senses as had been night. The next morning I had to invent an the discovery that I was entrapped. First excuse to explain to my landlady my un I lifted my hand, then I drew myself up usual, indeed unprecedented, absence from struggle with my cramped limbs, got out of my work as if the uneventful round of my much shaken, to maintain my balance. All ence like this one I have just described withthe blood in my body seemed rushing to my out finding that grave and deeply seated

out my hands to save myself, clasped an arm In the first hours of my return to my lodgof soft warm flesh, and in a moment a firm ings while pacing up and down my room in pered hush recalled me to the consciousness awake in my bed by night, or bending over that I was by no means out of danger, and my plate by day, or pacing backwards and that if I did not keep silence I might very forwards through those dreary streets of mid when my hand fell upon that unseen arm, I mind what was now the question of questions was fully sensible who my deliverer was, for me. I did not speculate as to how many Even in the darkness of that noisome vault I hundred of pounds' worth of those fictitious was as clearly conscious of the dreamy pitiful bank-notes, of which I was the unwitting gaze of those wonderful eyes as ever I had author, had been disseminated amongst been in the room above, when that pale, pre' British public, or as to what my would-be occupied looking girl had first come in and murderers said and thought when they dis had spoken those words to me so pregnant of covered my living coffin open and empevil.

They and their foul deed troubled me

semed to me like half a mile. Suddenly my flower sprung from some chance seed which I could find him another as good. girl in such a place seemed to me like a fai tenant, and would be much obliged to me if guide stopped, and striking a match, lighted the heedless wind had flung into some I went to a private inquiry office and put

The wretches with whom she dwelt has tracing Nathalie. A further clue was lost; liarly, and made her request known to

lock and let the bar fall into her hand, but adventure to a soul; and for several days I far when they left the late habitation.

flickering glare into the recess where we cloth in m.y face. "I haf not seen him dese the forthcoming assizes."

"Oh, yes, for a year or more; and he nefer mission opened, I started for Liverpool. missed a night. De oder ghentlemen he I had no fixed plan of operations in my away, but before she had gone twenty yard. talk mit, they komm chust the zame."

waiter. The old gentleman had not been to the two men.

and I resolved at least to discover by the the next boat." district which I felt sure must contain the the dingy court, watching the officials mak- planks. a dozen evenings in tramping through the ters' and solicitors' clerks bringing in their too, was the very house, with the handsome semi-circular light over the door, with all

man-are they all gone as well?"

who took away the furniture, or the land- at the address given; but I had another lord to whom the house belongs."

of the house and ascertained from the rating rogations. and had always paid his rent in advance. romancer might have written a volume of promised to call the next morning. He was sorry to leose such an admirable stories about the imaginary errands of the I made my way at once to the address tators.—Times. I did not walk half a dozen yards, but it youth and half-choked instincts. Such

way to take a farewell to their unfortunates leaving the court, and found it to be a whom the law had at last gathered into its dank, sunless corner of a neglected garden the affair into the hands of an agent. He avenging grasp. First came a little gir that the place in which we were standing was pallid and strengthless in its beauty, late to traced the goods which had been taken from with an old wizened face, wretchedly clad mature and quick to wither. What had ber the house to the store of a certain furniture but impudent and self-confident as a woman past been like, and what must her future be! broker; but that was not the same thing as of forty. She rang at the door quite fami some means she discovered the doom which purpose any more money I might spend in fine, clear-cut features, leading a lady is by a ber and a massive padlock. The girl the future, I soon made up my mind to Camberwell lodgings, so that I might spend and sobbing, after the demonstrative fashion silently brought forward a small empty strain every nerve and try every plan to all my evenings in groping about the foreign of her race. Then a farmer-like man, with ing her from the perils among which she either Mr. Bellamy or Dr. Fabricius; for dozen must have passed in before the clock but the last stroke had scarcely sounded

age to enter; for with my recollections of it, for New York, the police arrested two men Though the face was tribed I knew at

magistrate, and, on the evidence then pro. observation till she should reappear. "No," he replied, as he shook a table duced, were committed to take their trial at The moments crept slowly on. Six o'clock In a moment I knew that my hand was on had already marked the exit of all those I "Has he been in the habit of coming here the clue. I made inquiries as to the date of had watched enter save one. At last the slim figure glided forth and walked rapidly

I did not wait to pursue my interroga office of the brokers of the steamship Black "Nathalie!" I cried; "thank God I have "ons further; but in three days' time I - Swan, to try and ascertain whether any found you!" She stopped at the sound of turned and received the same reply from the other ticket had been taken besides those of my voice, and uttered a faint cry. "You it at once, and pass on to the matter I want "Yes," the clerk informed me. "Three never be without a friend while I live, I, "I was a little surprised when I recognized

taken alarm; perhaps were even now out Mr. Melzi; none of these passengers went by sob violently, and was soon in a paroxysm of England. I had an indescribable aversion the Black Swan; but, by the rules of the of hysteric grief. I led her aside up a by to place the matter in the hands of the police, company, their ticket would be available by street, and we walked along in silence had tasted my hospitality, and you declined broken only by her sobs, till we came to an . process of exhaustion the position of Mr. The trial of the two forgers came on for open place, where a large space had been Bellamy's residence. I bought a large scale hearing the first day of the assizes. I was cleared for rebuilding. The workmen had map of London, and explored every alley early at the doors, and secured a place in the left, and it was now all quiet, and I pre "You are aware that I and my friend and and court lying within the bounds of the front row of the public gallery. As I sat in vailed upon her to sit down upon a heap of late medical attendant are now provided for

which grew on the head of Mr. Tugfold, my horror, and subbed convulsively. Such agihouse I was seeking. At last after spending ing their final dispositions, and the barristhing; how you were as much a stranger to another sphere, far removed from the turroom, with my head bent down over some seldom in one's life, and leave an undying remire and gloom of the sordid streets, I found bags and sheaves of documents, doubts began those children playing there. Nathalie, you miss us from your mind with what charity of safety till I can make you my wife. I approached her. "Ah, no!" she cried, in discount. gasping terror. "Say no more such words

as those. You are mocking me." " Mocking you, Nathalie? I loved you the first minute I saw you, and ever that has passed since then my love has gown iod of suspense was near its end. The pris- stronger, till now I could not live without

She drew her veil aside. There were traces of tears on her face; but it was calm I do not know whether to call myself a now and she looked stoadily at me with her coward or not. I suppose I must have a deep dreamy seyes. "You are good and suddenly when she was three years old. Her craven drop somewhere in my veins, for I noble, and because I was young and lonely most certainly felt a thrill of terror as the you pitied me; but you cannot love me - the officer called out the names of Henry Lucas child of the man who sought to murder you. and Paul Melzi. I fancy it must have arisen Nathalie let us forget all that night as a from the horror of association rather than hideous dream, except our farewell. physical fear-from the thought that I was would have risked your life, I know, about to be close to, and look into the faces save any one; but unless you cared a little of the men who, a few weeks ago, had devot- for me you would not have let me speak to live with me, and never let her know that and be seen of them. The officer's voice She cast down her eyes, and a crimson

nised in a moment the dark and sinister lieve me, and you shall not cast aside my love. Your parentage--your whole past, you His appearance was scarcely changed at must forget. No two people in the whole all; but Bellamy's long hair and beard were world are so fitted to come together as we

bell-handles on every door-post. Seeing an sage of the Circassian cafe. I kept my eyes "You are grateful to me for the service I ficate. old woman pottering about the threshold of fixed steadily on his face; but he did not did you. You pity me, and parasps you one of them, I went up to her and asked recognize me till the counsei for the prosecu love me. If you do I thank you with all my her how long the house opposite had been tion had almost finished his speech. Then heart; but I should be base indeed to allow I noticed that he started violently, and a you to join your life with mine, and to take Rich petroleum deposits and valuable "Och sure, sor," she replied, "it's jist a few minutes after he pointed me out to his for your wife the daughter of a felon. But coal mines have been discovered in fortnight, or maybe three weeks since the solicitor who was seated just below the I knew nothing about it. I thought he was Mexico. working at his book as I told you. That Several of the large land owners of which I knew my courage returned. I made away one mornin', and nobody has set eyes The trial was a very short one. The wretch, his confidente, told me I must use Scotland have imported a number of on him since. And three days after a brok- evidence for the crown was overwhelming, all my persuasion to induce you to stay, and reindeer from Norway and turned them er's cart came and took away arl the sticks and there was virtually no defence. As any one less noble and unsuspicious than you out in the hope that they may become

> "I niver see no dark gintleman; but there ped by a man, apparently a messenger, who "My darling, I could as soon suspect an completion is something enormous. could make you anything but a worthy wife 6,850 men were treated for injuries of

"No, nothing can wash out the stain.

you, and association with one like me would list, ought either to be in jail or in a The world will be no poorer for its loss, nor of that State worked up to a state of "And is it absolutely necessary for every have I any wish to prolong it." "Oh, Nathalie, words like these cut me sanity. According to to-day's telegrams

1201 and 122 King Street East, Hamilton. private house with a brass plate on the door. setting forth the fact that "Mr. Charles Romar, Solicitor," lived there. I reng soveral times in vain, but at last the door was opened by a manifest maid of all work, the who informed me that Mr. Romer was gone

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office I had better call in the morning. was very impatient to know what could asked the young woman whether Mr. Romer would be back that evening, or whether he had not left a letter or a message for Ma Costello; but she was, willing or unwillingthat if I had business at the office I had bet-

ter call in the morning. passed a restless night. What little sleep I had was marred by disturbing dreams. By nine o'clock I was at Mr. Romer's office, and as soon as that gentleman had satisfied himself as to my identity, he handed me a was all the business he was comprissioned

to transact with me. I broke open the envelope at once, and found that it contained several enclosures. I began with one, a letter addressed to me in full, and read as follows:

"MY DEAR MR. COSTELLO. - I don't know

whether you are a student in epistolary literature; but if you are, I am sure you will admit that two correspondents never stood in stranger relation to each other than we do. When we last parted I scarcely hoped ever to address a letter to you again; but the conditions of that interview were somewhat painful, so I will have done with you in court, and I appreciated most thor-

oughly your kindness and delicacy in not volunteering to furnish the jury with any particulars as to our past dealings. You to appear as a witness against me. I ap-

by the state for a period of years, a period know how I love you. You will come with you will, but remember that self-preservame now, dear, and I will take you to a place tion is the first law of nature. In another and more perfect society altruism may find She shuddered and drew away from me as its due place. At present it is rather at a

"It is on behalf of the girl, who has ever been as a daughter to me, that I plead your consideration. She is young, helpless and absolutely ignorant of the world, and, whatever I may be, I am not brute enough to let her face the perils which must beset her, unaided, without making one effort to help her. She is, however, no daughter of mine. She was born at H ---, in Sussex, and there she lived with her parents till they both died mother was a distant cousin of mine, and on her deathbed had desired that I would see after the child's welfare. I committed her to the care of some good people in Croydon, You named Cullum, as I was at that time engaged in strictly regular commercial pursuits in London; and when she left them I took her

she was not my own daughter. "There is a sum of money deposited in her name at the Metropolitan and Provincial Bank, and this you can use in furthering her interest and giving her a start in life. I have full confidence in your integrity after whathas passed between us. She is living at No. ---, N-- street, Liverpoul "I enclose with this the address of the people with whom she lived in Croydon, and the copies of her birth and baptismal certi-

To be continued.

in bringing the Paris Exposition to one kind or another received while at work on them: 300 workmen were inured as to their legs, 200 were badly injured in their eyes, 114 were scalded or badly burned, 50 had fingers cut off. will love you and bless you as long as I live The death roll from falls foots up 24,

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The air of the cellar struck cold to my face, and I did not move. The sudden shock, the discovery that I was at least free found a cab to take me to my lodgings. from the horrible box, was, in its effect, alinto a sitting posture, and finally, after a home the night before; and I went back

CHAPTER III.

wide open at my touch.

head. I staggered, and wildly stretching changes are the result. possibly never manage an exit at all.

"Come this way; follow me," a voice said little. I could think of nothing else but that

drawn along through the darkness. Probably that strange, almost solenin, figure of buri

window announcing that it was "To Let."

HER HAND IN MINE."

lame ould gintleman, God bless him! went deck.

was a slip of a colleen with the ould man asked me to call on a matter of urgent busi angel from heaven; but you must put aside The records show that during the when he went away. Ah sor, it's many a ness that same evening at an address he all these foolish fears. Nothing in the world erection of the building no less than sixpence he has given to me and to other gave to me. the cellar. But I was far too weak, too man does not enrich his life with an experi-"Do you know the name of the broker lamy and his solicitor, and resolved to call could see she was powerfully moved.

hair and poor crippled legs. I'll never have mission to the jail. another bit o' silver from him, worse luck, "After five o'clock you can leave your only ruin your life. With a woman it is lunatic asylum. He has apparently but maybe ye'll be seein' him soon, and av name with the head turnkey, and let him different. What is a life like mine worth? got the ignorant and deluded negroes I need hardly say that in the very instant nearly proved my tomb, I revolved in my body to go to the head turnkey?" I asked. I cut the old woman's story short by "I don't know no other way myself," to the heart, when I know that I could make three young men whom he brought ungiving her the sixpence, and probably I was said the policeman snappishly; "and you'l your life bright and happy if you would der his spell have met a horrible fate. at once elevated in her estimation to a moral be very clever if you can find one," and he only let me-but you are unstrung and He imbued them with the idea that level with Mr. Bellamy. I took the number turned away to answer some other inter excited now. Let me take you to your

packing-case into the recess, and, standing find her again and have some part in shield quarter of London, in the hope of meeting a wooden look upon his impassive face. just as she had done so much the heavy was strangely unwilling to set about the One day, under the heading of "Liver- when a slender figure, clad in black from

tread of a policeman sounded overhead. She fulfilment of my design. At last one day pool," I read the following paragraph in the head to foot, passed through the circle of motioned me by a silent gesture to hide the I turned my steps towards the Circassian newspaper: "On Friday last, just as the light the. "I from the lamp over the prison light, and for some minutes she stood mo cafe; but arrived there I had not the cour. steamship Black Swan was preparing to leave door.

> the assizes, and on the day before the com. heavy door swung back once more. head. The first step I took was to go to the I was beside her.

Then I felt sure that my rescue had been saloon tickets were taken at the same time who owe you life and everything."

to assail me. The men I was seeking were evidence furnished by their nationality and the presence of a daughter in their projected across the Atlantic, I might well be

I had almost discounted my failure, and was beginning to make my plans for a fresh start, when the movement in court and the entrance of the sheriff told me that my peroner in the first case pleaded guilty; the you." second was the one in which I was interest-

ed me to a slow and torturing death—to see to you as I did." had scarcely ceased when the first of the blush overspread her cheeks. prisoners stepped into the deck, and I recog- "Nathalie," I went on, "you shall becountenance of Fabricius.

I took a survey of the neighboring houses. shorn, and with his shaven chin and clipped are, for we are both alone. You are no They were all of a greatly inferior type, moustache he looked as fierce and restless more solitary than I am." with brass plates of different dimensions as a hunted wolf. No one would have re- Nathalie rose and put her hand on my dotted about the doors, and multitudious cognized in him the calm and benevolent arm.

but immediately I issued forth I was stop- sure."

matter to attend to first.

evidently for some reason or other kept her and the agent, like an honest man, told porter with a knowing grin. Then came t "up town," and that if I had business at the was prepared for me, and risked her life to the case. Still I did not loose heart nor deep mourning, and closely veiled. Then a be the purport of this business, and did not save mine. So much for the past. As to relax my investigations. I gave up my red-faced muscular Irish woman, howling relish the prespect of waiting so long. other of the two keys. She removed the had grown up. I breathed no word of my I was persuaded that they had not moved struck five, and I was beginning to doubt ly, imperturbable, and repeated her formula

time after the last round had died away, it seemed to me nothing else than the ante- who were amongst the passengers, on the once that it was Nathalie. I drew behind she thrust up the heavy door with her arm, chamber of the pit of death. At length the charge of counterfeiting and putting in cir. the angle of the house in front of which. letter. The delivery of this, he remarked, and, pointing to some holes in the brick door opened and a man came out, and then culation false Bank of England notes. The was standing as she approached the door of work by which I might mount, hade me, by I could see the place was empty, so I went prisoners, an Englishman named Lucas, and the jail. It opened and closed behind her whispered word, hasten into safety. She in and asked the waiter whether the lame a Maltese, who was known to possess at and in spite of the rather suspicious look had taken the lamp from my hand and had old gentleman with the white beard had least a dozen aliases, were taken before the of the constable on duty I kept my post of struck upon the clanging bell above, and l

are alone in the world now, but you will to lay before you. discovered, and that the confederates had under the names of Mr. and Miss Lucas and I took her by the hands, and she began to

soon as the foreman pronounced the word are would have thought of me as being in the acclimated and increase. "And the young lady and the dark gentle- "guilty," I made my way out of court plot. You hold me guiltless of that I am The amount of human blood spilled

communication I had seen pass between Bel She shook her head mournfully; but

"Sorra a bit. Brokers and landlords are I asked the policeman on duty in the for the ray of light you have shed over my through this is said to be far below the of soft warm flesh, and in a moment a firm ings while pacing up and down my room in mighty hard on poor folks like me. Ah! entrance-hall whether the friends of pris- life, but you must go your way and forget actuality.

hand was laid on my shoulder, and a whise the early morning; afterwards, when lying the swate ould gintleman, with his white oners just convicted would be allowed ad me. You are a man with a career before Tobias Jackson, the Alabama evange-

> lodgings. I will see you again to-morrow." authorities the landlord's name; but here I I had learnt all I wanted to know. At She allowed me to lead her away from the day rushed into a huge furnance at was brought to a dead standstill. The land- half-past four I took up my station opposite place where we had been seated, and told Birmingham. Ala., where metal was lord knew nothing more of Mr. Bellamy the great gates of the prison to watch for me the street and the number where she being melted to a white heat, with the than that he took the house three years ago some one who I felt sure would come. A was lodging. I left her at the door, and result that they were immediately

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insive experience, he underyou can therefore rely on his which fail to give Y DONE FOR CASH.

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ntion for the Holidays. om the country, to receive cember 15th.

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