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I bowed, and mounting the dais, sat down at her feet.

"How didst thou sleep, my Holly?" she asked.

"I slept not well, oh, Ayesha," I answered, with perfect truth, and with an inward fear that perhaps she knew how I had passed the heart of the night.

"So," she said, with a little laugh, "I, too, have not slept well. Last night I had dreams, and methinks that thou didst call them to me, oh, Holly."

"Of what didst thou dream, Ayesha?" I asked, indifferently.

"I dreamed," she answered, quickly, "of one I hate and one I love;" and then, as though to turn the conversation, she addressed the captain of her guard in Arabic -"Let the men be brought before me."

The captain bowed low-for the guard and her attendants did not prostrate themselves, but had remained standing-and departed with his underlings down a passage to the right.

Then came a silence. She leaned her swathed head upon her hand, and appeared to be lost in thought, while the multitude before her continued to grovel upon their stomachs, only screwing their heads round a little so as to get a view of us with one eye. It seemed that their queen so rarely appeared in public that they were willing to undergo this inconvenience, and even graver risks, to have the opportunity of looking on her-or rather on her garments, for no living man there except myself had ever seen her face. At last we caught sight of the waving of lights, and heard the tramp of men coming along the passage, and in filed the guard, and with them the survivors of our would-be murderers, to the number of a score or more, on whose countenances the natural expression of sullenness struggled with the terror that evidently filled their savage hearts. They were ranged in front of the dais, and would have cast themselves down on the floor of the cave, like the spectators, but She stop-

"Nay." she said, in her softest voice, "stand; I pray ye stand. Perchance the time will soon be when ye shall grow weary of being stretched out;" and she laughed melodiously.

I saw a cringe of terror run along the rank of the poor doomed wretches, and, wicked villains as they were. I felt sorry for them. Some minutes, perhaps two or three, passed before anything fresh occurred, during which She appeared, from the movement of her head-for, of course, we could not see her eyes-to be slowly and carefully examining each delinquent. At last she spoke, addressing herself to me in a quiet and deliberate tone.

"Dost thou, oh my guest, who art known in thy country by the name of the Prickly Tree, recognize these men?"

"Ay, oh, queen, nearly all of them," I said; and I saw them glower at me as I said

"Then tell me and this company the tale whereof I have heard."

Thus adjured, I, in as few words as I could, related the history of the cannibal feast, and of the attempted torture of our poor servant. The narrative was received in perfect silence, both by the accused and by the audience, and also by She herself When I had done, Ayesha called upon Billali by name, and lifting his head from the ground, but without rising, the old mar confirmed my story. No further evidence was taken.

"Ye have heard," said She at length, ir a cold, clear voice, very different from her usual tones; indeed, it was one of the most remarkable things about this extraordinary creature that her voice had the power of suiting itself in a wonderful manner to the mood of the moment. "What have ye to say, ye rebellious children, why vengeance should not be done upon ye?"

For some time there was no answer, but at last one of the men, a fine broad-chested fellow, well on in middle life, with deep graven features, and with an eye like : hawk's, spoke, and said that the orders that they had received were not to harm the white men; nothing was said of their black servant, so, egged on thereto by a woman who was now dead, they proceeded to try to hot-pot him after the ancient and honorable custom of their country, with a view of eating him in due course. As for their attack upon ourselves, it was made in an access of sudden fury, and they deeply regretted it. He ended by humbly pray ing that mercy might be extended to them. or at least that they might be banished into the swamps, to live or die as it might chance; but I saw on his face that he had but little hope of mercy.

Then came a pause, and the most intense silence reigned over the whole scene, which, illuminated as it was by the flickering lamps that struck out broad patterns of light and shadow upon the rocky walls, was as strange an one as I ever saw, even in that weird land. There, seated in her barbaric chair above them all, with myself at her feet, was the veiled white woman, whose awsome power seemed to shine about her like a halo. Never have I seen her veiled shape look more terrible than it did in that space, while she gathered herself up as it were for vengeance.

At last it came.

"Dogs and serpents," She began, in a low voice that gradually gathered power as she went on, till the place rang with it, "eaters of human flesh, two things have ye done. First, ye have attacked these strangers, being white men, and would have slain their servant, and for that alone death is your reward. But that is not all. Ye have dared to disobey me. Did I not send my word unto ye by Billali, my servant, and the father of your household? Hath it not been taught to ye from childhood that the law of She is an ever-fixed law, and that he who breaketh it by so much as one jot or tittle shall perish? And is not my lightest word a law? Have not your fathers taught ye this, I say, whilst as yet ye were but children? Well do ye know it, ye Wicked Ones. But ye are all evilevil to the core; the wickedness bubbles up in ye like a fountain in the spring-time. And now because ye have done this thing, because ye have striven to put these men, my guests, to death, and yet more because

morrow's sun those of ye who yet remain alive be slain by the hot-pot, as ye would have slain the servant of this my guest." She ceased, and a faint murmur of horror ran round the cave. As for the victims, as soon as they realized the full hideousness of their doom, their stoicism forsook

them, and they flung themselves down

ye have dared to disobey my word, this is

the doom that I doom ye to. That ye be

taken to the cave of torture, and given

over to the torturers to wreak their will

upon ye, and that on the going down of to-

upon the ground, and wept and implored for mercy in a way that was dreadful to behold. I too turned to Ayesha and begged her to spare them, or at least to mete out their fate in some less awful way. But she was hard as adamant about it.

"My Holly," she said, again speaking in Greek, which, to tell the truth, although I have always been considered as good a scholar of the language as most, I found it rather difficult to follow, chiefly because of the change in the fall of the accent-Ayesha, of course, talked with the accent of her contemporaries, whereas we have only tradition and the modern accent to guide us as to the exact pronunciation-"my Holly, it can not be. Were I to show mercy to these walves, your lives would not be safe among this people for a day. Thou knowest them not. They are tigers to lap

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