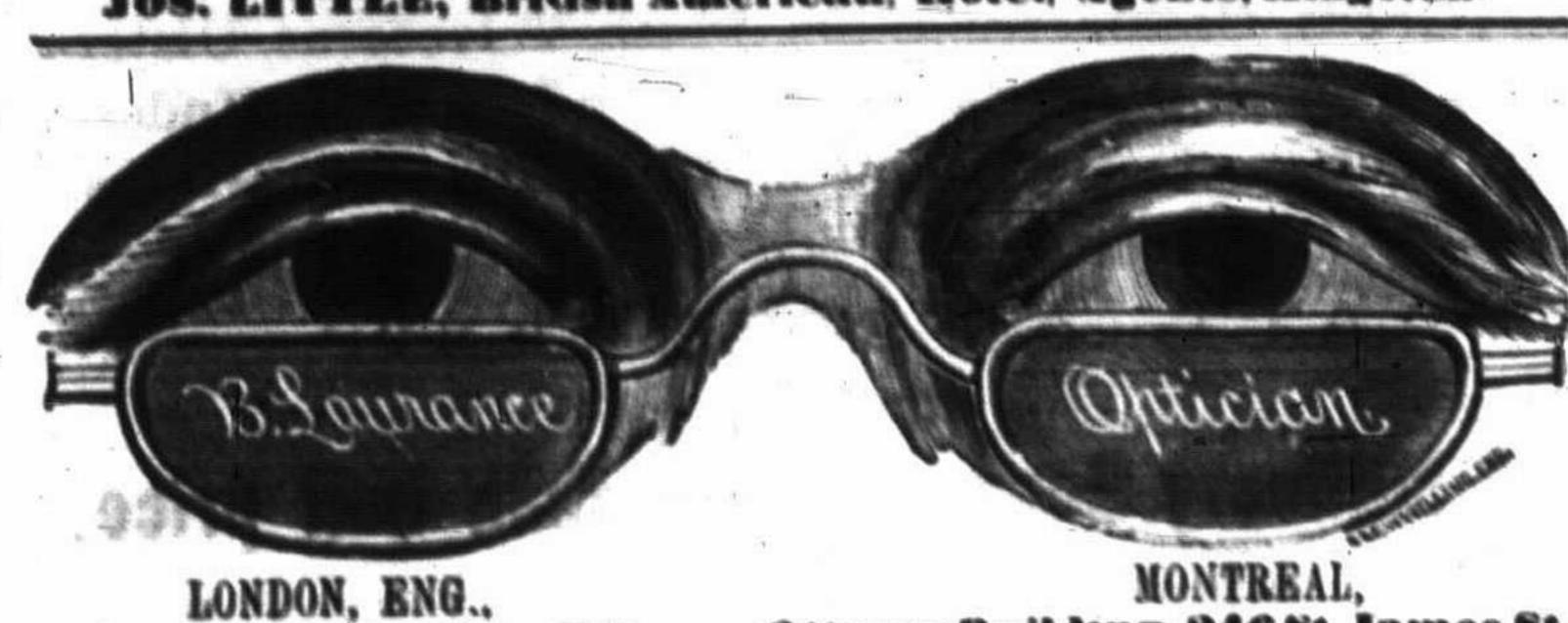
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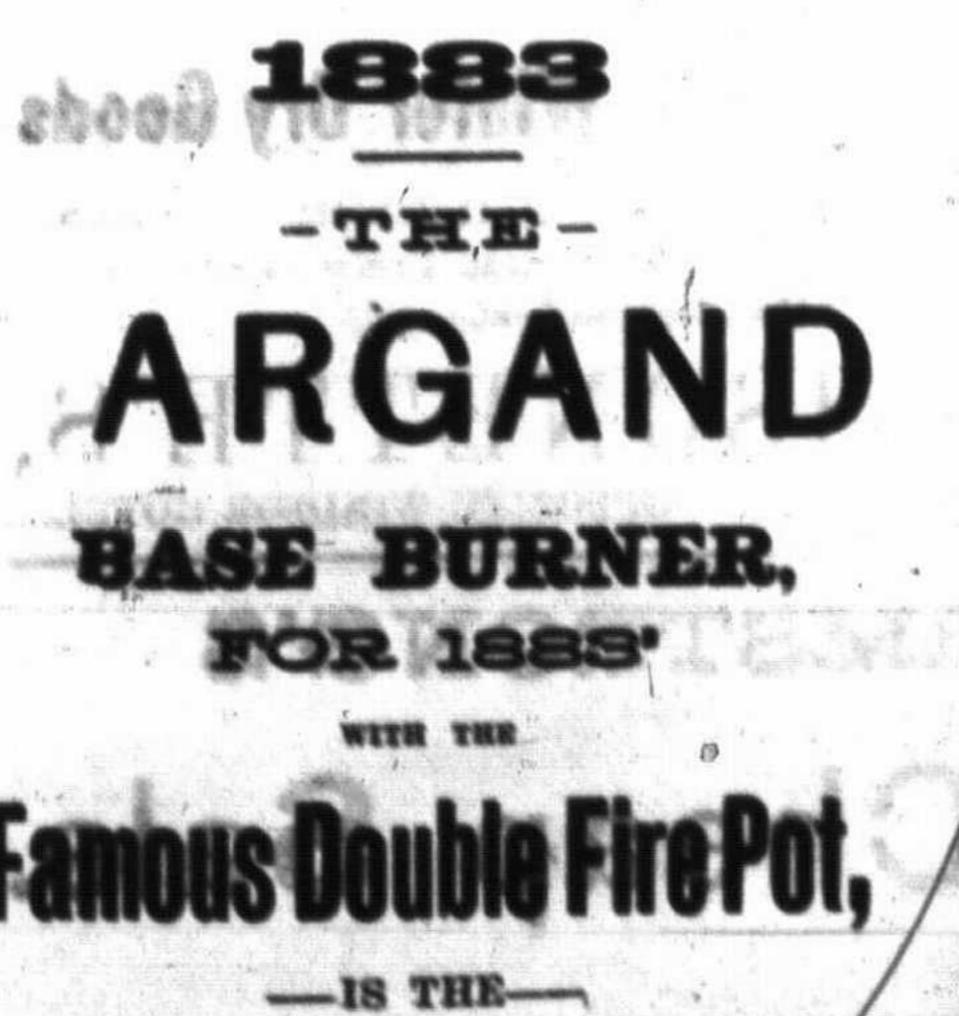
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CHAPTER XXXVIII.

GRAHAM'S LAST SACRIFICE.

A terrible foreboding oppressed Gra-m. Would Grace fulfil her prediction remembering the jewel that had of what he craved beyond even imagined perfection, but carrying

the woman herself. As he looked he thought of her as a gend of Eve, who might, before becoming a living soul, have harmonized with 250 00 the loveliness of her garden without seeing or feeling it.

He could not think of her mind as blotted or perverted; he could not conceive of it otherwise than as corresponding with her outward symmetry. 1 his thought it slumbered, as her form death-like trance. She went and came

She knew their voices, did, within when she waited on her father there was a sad, mechanical repetition of what Mayburn found her docile and easily Ottawa Building, 246 St. James St. controlled, and the heart-stricken old lady was vigilance itself.

> more from his tones than his words. had grown into an instinct that to him she must look for care and direction; If he read to her, she turned to him her lovely face, across which not a gleam of interest or intelligence would pass. If he brought her flowers, she would hold them until they were taken from her. She would pace the garden walks by his side, with her hand upon his arm, by the hour if he wished it, sometimes smiling faintly at his gentle tones, but giving no proof that she understood the rt of his words. At Hilland's name were faint and meaningless.

been subtracted, with all the differences

His very power over her was terrifying. Nothing could have so daunted his hope, courage, and will as into being Grace had become,

this, but I have not come here to talk nonsense to you. You have trusted me reduction of from 20 to 25 per cent., and to you in honest, plain English. Mrs. Hilland's symptoms are very serious. What I feared has taken place. From her acute and prolonged mental distress died had you not come, she reacted first into lethargy, and now into almost discover that any disturbed physical Her white hair, which might

> which seems to defy age. "Pardon me for saying it, but I fear men of the world may believe what we to an organization like Mrs. Hilland's, hope and faith are essential. She has practically been without these from the of the struggle that crushed her, for she is not one of that large class of [women

for a goddess, even to her tranquil face, CARER EC COD CAREL

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you marry her?

Graham in unfeigned astonishment.
"You said you could die for her. This may be going much further. Indeed. hat she may never be better, she may only chance. At any rate, she needs vigilant care-taker. Old Mrs. Mayburn will not be equal to the task much longer, and her place will have to be filled up by hired service. I know it is like suggesting an almost impossible sacribering her condition, but-

"Dr. Markham," said Graham pacing the floor in great agitation, "you wholly misunderstand me. I was thinking her, not of myself. What right have to marry her without her consent? She could give no intelligent assent at

"The right of your love; the right mitted her to your care; the right of your desire to prevent her from drifting in she would be almost at the mercy of hired attendants, helpless to shield herself from any and every wrong; the right of a man to sacrifice himself solutely for another if he chooses. "But she might waken from this

mental trance, and feel that I had taken a most dishonorable advantage of her "Yes, you run that risk; but here is

one man who will assure her to the contrary, and you would be sustained by the consciousness of the purest motives. It is that she may waken that I suggest the step; mark, I do not advise it. I said at first, I am simply treating you with absolute confidence and sincerity. THE If matters go on as they are, I have little or no hope. Mrs. Mayburn is giving way under the strain, and sympher old disorder are returning She cannot watch Mrs. Hilland much longer as she has been doing. Whom will you put in her place? Will you send Mrs. Hilland to an asylum, with its rules and systems and its unknown attendants? Moreover, her present tranquil condition may not last. She may become as volent as she is now gentle. She may gradually gain her intelligence, or it may be restored to her by some sudden shock. If the mysteries of the physical nature so baffle us, who can predict the future of a disordered inside of the picture; I still think it has its bright side. She has no hereditary mental weakness to contend with. it has developed somewhat gradually it

to Europe, change of scene, of life, wi nitted to your care has degenerated into a controlling instinct; but that is far, You know the world will say you m... ried her for her money, and that will be

haril on a man like you. Gir diam made a gestare of contempt "That for the world, he said. you broached this subject to her father and my aunt? "Certainly not before speaking to

You then give me your assurance, as a man, that you believe this right for recovery?

very gravely. "I have incurred risks

before in my life, but none like this. from any cause Mrs. Hilland should recover memory and full intelligence, and reproach me for taking advantage of a condition which, even among savage tribes, renders the afflicted ones sacreall the fiendish tortures of the Inquisition would be nothing to what I would suffer Still, prove to me, prove to her father that it is her best chance, and for Grac Hilland I will take even this chanc Please remember there must be no pro fessional generalities. I must have your solemn written statement that it is for Mrs. Hilland's sake I a lopt

"So be it," was the reply. "I shall telegraph to Dr. Armand immediate to expect me, and shall say that I him to be prepared to come at once "Do so, and consider no question

this juncture. On the following evening Dr. Armani was almost startled by the vision on the silvery haired wo han sat looking cidly at the glowing sunset, with light and its rose hues reflected in

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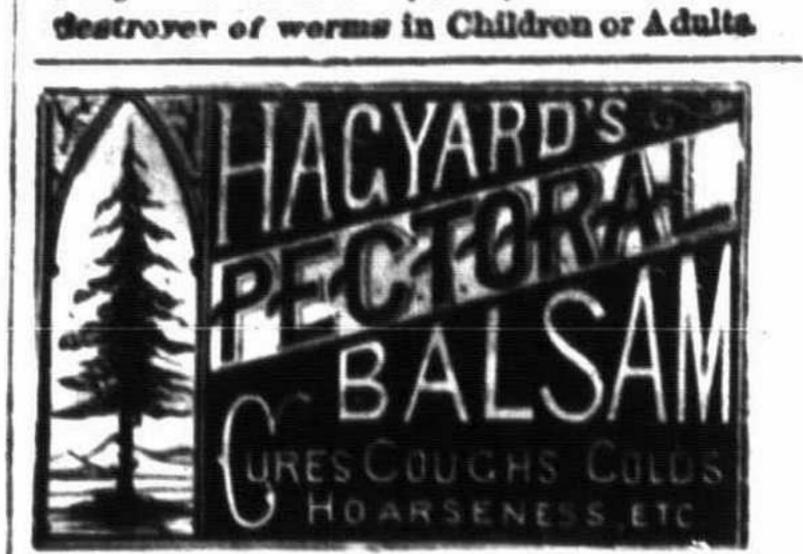
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