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ELAINE.

Aye, ners was love's own lily, broken with the The golden heart of her was swathed about, flowerwise, With her white body's petal. As the flower dies Died she, with no more light or warmth to draw

Left but a dewless night, a day without the sun. To her no tender lover's peace would ever come From dawn till dusk, nor yet from dusk till

Not even unto her the hidden hope wherefrom

subtle strength to other loving maids is drawn; Not e'en the love assured, that, sad eyed, bides

gates; Not any lover's peace, but all a lover's tears Would be for her, until the pearls of all he slipped from off the string of time, and

Had dropped into the ocean of eternity.

Twas only left for her to die, as flower dies With life gone out in song, its love and grief too great

For aught save one last wailing note for its dead mate.

—Jennie Maxwell Paine.

THE BOND ROBBERY.

It was a jolly little farm house. I had been past the place many times, and scented with pleasure the honeysuckles which grew upon the side-only a few miles from Chicago.

One would have thought the place be-longed to some old couple who, after hav-ing passed a laborious life, had retired here for peace and content. Still the shadow of death had passed over the little house, and as I rode up to the gate one morning I caught a glimpse of a pale freed young girl, with her long, disheveled hair about her neck and shoulders and her eyes red with weeping, who was looking down the road with anxious eyes.

I left the carriage hastily, and a rather

smart looking young man, who offered to take charge of the horse, took my place. The interior of the cottage was in keep-ing with the outer adornments, which had been so lavishly supplied by nature; but the blinds were closely drawn, and there was an air of gloomy depression that was almost suffocating. The young girl had opened the door for me, and she drew back with a graceful bow as I entered, but, without speaking, pointed the way to an inner room. She seemed overwhelmed by some recent grief that deprived her of mon courtesies naturally expected of one apparently well bred. But she was relieved of her embarrassment by an elderly lady, who came forward and welcomed me as one who had been long and anx-

iously expected.

A note from the chief of the Chicago police, introducing me, informed them that I had been detailed to visit the house, and that the nature of the case had been confided to me. I enjoined secrecy upon them as to my real character, instructing them to answer any inquiries by saying that I was a distant connection of God-frey Holmes, who now lay lifeless under the roof, as the doctor had said, from the

effects of poison.

I had secretly finished these preliminaries when the young man who had taken charge of my horse strode into the room.

He was introduced as Charles Saxby, and was a muscular, rather handsome man, with piercing gray eyes, and an expression of considerable intelligence. He was such a person as I would have selected for any a person as I would have selected for any employment requiring a large amount of endurance and self possession. There was a certain easy coolness in his manner that led me to think he had not been bred in the country, and I subsequently learned that he had been a student at law in an eastern college, and had come west for the double purpose of recuperating his health and pursuing his studies more cheanly

cheaply.

The family at the cottage had consisted of Godfrey Holmes, now deceased, a widowed sister of his deceased wife, and widowed sister of his deceased wife, and his daughter Amelia. Upon the death of his beloved wife, Mr. Holmes had declared his intention of remaining a widower, and his wife's sister, a quiet, unassuming woman, had taken charge of his housekeeping.

Amelia, the daughter, was now in her 17th year, her figure very elegant and her appearance graceful. Her face was very sweet, her eyes dark brown and abundant hair of the same color was twined about her head.

about her head.

One would have thought the natural

uence of being thrown almost constantly into the society of as handsome a man as Saxby, she would have lost her heart to him. But the very opposite to this was the fact, and he could have left the place at any moment without regret upon her part. Her father, however, had been much engaged by him, and had often hinted to his housekeeper that he was sure he would be quite satisfied with such

The entire neighborhood shared in this good opinion of Saxby. He and Amelia would make such a splendid match, they said. Both were so handsome, so intelligent, so similar in their tastes; besides, were they not admirably matched as to worldly prospects. Saxby had no wealth, it is true; but he came of a family of influence, and with the fortune Mr. Holmes would be able to give he could rise high in the world. Amelia did not need to marry for money, for although her father possessed a little landed property, was he not rich in the best securities of the government?

In occurred to me in person—Saxby was in town. He only made a few purchases and returned at nightfall. Evidently if Saxby was the thief he was upon his guard. The entire neighborhood shared in this

So, indeed, he had been; but upon the very night of his decease all his stock and bonds, gold and mortgages and his private papers had disappeared, and no one could tell whither they had flown.

a number of the neighbors, from whom he proceeded to impanel a jury.

While her aunt was busy receiving these individuals, I had an opportunity for a short interview with Amelia, and I learned from her at that time much that as useful in my subsequent investiga-

post mortem examination was at concluded, and, somewhat to my

surprise, the surgeons declared that the opinion of the old gentleman's physician, that death had resulted from poisoning, correct. Death had supervened from sudden congestion of the heart, there was not the slightest trace of foul play, and the necessary certificate for in-terment was granted. When I subse-quently learned that Mr. Holmes had sud-denly fallen dead, and that his doctor had not reached him until long after the breath had left the body, I did not think the old lady in poverty, for the latter was

The deceased had placed no faith in the banks, and had always kept the small steel bound box in his sleeping room. He had shown the contents to his daughter and her aunt upon various occasions, and when they had remonstrated with him about keeping so much value in so insecure a place, the old man had smiled at their fears. He had depended largely for the safety of the box upon the fact that all persons, save those immediately connected with him, were ignorant of his having these treasures.

Several persons had been about the house on the night of his decease, and the larger number had been more or less in the bedroom. Amelia, young Saxby and several others were mentioned by the old lady in particular; but she declared that she would suspect herself or the other members of the household as soon as one of the neighbors.

They were entirely ignorant of the existence of the box, and this might be depended upon, if their honesty were to be set aside. Besides, it seemed impossible that anything could have been removed from the house without detection on that night of sorrow. There was not an nour that some one was not about, and either Amelia or her aunt had remained in the bedroom continually. Still the box was gone, and it must have had some outside means of locomotion.

As might have been expected, I amost instantly pitched upon Saxby as the thief. I felt convinced of it, although there was nothing suspicious in the young man's manner. The difficulty before me was to reach the truth in such a manner that no point of refutation would be left. I must not only show him to be the guilty party, but also recover the stolen property, the larger portion of which would be readily negotiable, and could be disposed of with little risk of detection.

I was asked to remain for lunch, and requiring some time for thought, I accepted the invitation. Soon the elder lady, Saxby and myself were seated at the table, Amelia being too indisposed to join us, and the most rigid silence prevailed for some time. I was employed in secretly watching Saxby, who, I soon discovered, enjoyed the entire confidence of our kind hearted hostess. She had already acquainted him with the secret of who I was, and the occasion of my presence at the

When the meal was over and the old lady had gone to look after her niece's comfort, Saxby entered into a lengthy conversation with me. He talked well, but was much too ready in his suggestions as to the missing securities, and the longer I remained with him the stronger became my prejudice against him. After much agitation I decided that it was only necessary to give the suspect "rope enough and he would hang himself." I must be on hand, however, to see that he did not slip his head from the noose. I conceived a plan and began to act upon it at once. I assumed a confidential manner, and informed the young man that I had thought of some circumstances relating to the missing bonds, in which I thought he could

"If you will go into the city with me,"
I continued, "I will tell you more."
Saxby consented to this proceeding without the least show of reluctance, and we set out together. While upon the way I feigned a story to amuse him, and hinted,

feigned a story to amuse him, and hinted, in a distant way, that I was inclined to think that Mr. Holmes' sister-in-law knew more of the missing valuables than any other person. I concluded by requesting him to watch the old lady's movements.

To do Saxby justice, he defended the good woman warmly and grew quite indignant at my "venomous charge," which I excused by telling him that it was necessary to take every precaution. When we I excused by telling him that it was necessary to take every precaution. When we reached Chicago I took the young man to the central police office and prepared to carry out the real motive for my action. While I caused Saxby to be detained in conversation by a brother officer, a photographer with his camera placed behind a screen for the occasion skillfully pictured the man's features. Then I dismissed him, but was careful to keep him in view until he left the city. Before another day had rolled around a photograph of the young man was in the office of nearly every broker in the city.

every broker in the city.

Time passed, and the scheme bore no fruit; Mr. Holmes had been in his grave nearly a month, and his daughter's for-

It occurred to me to take advantage of his absence to visit the cottage. Both ladies received me very cordially and had a long story to tell of their pecuniary em-barrassments. Their little home could could tell whither they had flown.

Here, then, were the two terrible circumstances of robbery and suspected murder, combining to bring utter desolation and ruin to the family, so peaceful but a few brief hours before. It is little wonder that the grief stricken girl had stood pale and motionless in my presence when she knew the occasion of my coming.

About an hour after my arrival a carriage was driven up to the farm house, and two portly gentlemen in black coats alighted and came into the cottage. They carried two small cases with them which brought disagreeable remembrances to me, for I knew they contained the glittering trepanning knives and scalpels which had been pisplayed before my gaze on numerous painful occasions. Soon afterward the coroner arrived, accompanied by number of the neighbors, from whom he not readily be coverted into cash for any-thing like its value, and, if it could, the proof against the rebuff. It was plain from the old lady's manner of telling the story that she did not exactly coincide with Amelia in her action; but she was much troubled at the difficulties before

"If Miss Holmes would consent to fol-low my directions," said I, "there is no doubt you may both be relieved from your ambarrassments."

"In what manner?" asked the young lady, who re-entered at that juncture. "By the recovery of the lost treasures. It is merely an experiment; but its success

would place you and your aunt above want for the future." When I saw that their curiosity was aroused I communicated my plan. It was for Amelia to favor Saxby's suit for the time, and make it a condition that, before her final consent to the marriage was given, her aunt should be provided for by a moderate settlement. It was very evithis conclusion so strange. It relieved me from a disagreeable weight; for cases of poisoning are always accompanied by distressful circumstances; and I now had only to inquire into the disappearance of the old gentleman's box of valuables.

The loss of these would leave Amelia and harm should come from the arrangement, the children was a strange ment. she consented

entirely dependent upon her brother-in-law, who had no living relatives save these two.

The deceased had placed no faith in the banks, and had always kept the small discern in what direction my scheme

> Not many days had passed when Saxby came again to town. The shadow saw him safely seated in the reading room of one of the hotels and came to warn me in haste. We concluded that the young man had come on business this time, for it was early in the day, and he seemed more than usually thoughtful. I donned a disguise through which I thought Saxby would be unable to identify me if he should chance to notice my proximity, and was soon in front of the hotel. My ally had informed me that Saxby had already been into the street where the principal brokers' offices were located. He had arrived too early, however, for his purpose, and had re-turned to the hotel to wait until business pened. So I concluded, and when I saw him upon the street again, pausing occa-sionally to glance into the windows where the signs told that stocks and bonds were bought and sold, I was in no way surprised, and prepared to swoop down upon him at the proper moment. At last he seemed to find a place to his fancy, and entered hastily, casting over his shoulder as he did so that peculiar glance which denotes the uneasy conscience.

I was upon the opposite side of the street but could watch his motions. I saw him, after exchanging a few words with the broker, draw a package from his jacket from which he made a selection. He entered into negotiations with the broker and I soon saw the latter paying over quite a sum of money. This Saxby placed in his pocket and turned around just as I stepped upon the sidewalk.

His eyes flashed over me in an instant,

and I knew that I had been recognized despite my disguise. What a fund of cool nerve that young man must have had! He surmised in an instant the real state of affairs, and rushed out of the office. I seized his arm before he had fairly reached the sidewalk, and, finding that escape was impossible, he very wisely succumbed. He returned with me to the broker's office and redeemed the securities he had negotiated. Then he was taken to the police station,
"That \$5,000 you negotiated, what
were you going to do with it?" I inquired.

Saxby's lip curled bitterly "That was for Amelia's aunt in case I had married the young lady," he answered. "I believe I've been played for a sucker; a more unprincipled man would have made a clean job of it."

I had to admit the force of this remark As the rascal had been apprehended with the evidence of his guilt upon him he saw the futility of attempting a defense.

He accordingly confessed that, as he had been alone in Mr. Holmes' room upon the night of his decease, the idea had occurred to him of secreting the box of valuables, the secret of which the old gentleman had confided to him, and use them as a means of compelling Amelia to marry him, in the event of his failing to gain her love. He had watched his opportunity, and, when all was quiet, had removed the box to a field, where he had buried it in the earth. The statement proved correct, and the box was found with its contents intact, save the papers I had found upon Saxby. with the evidence of his guilt upon him he

The latter pleaded guilty to the offense charged, and in consideration of the fact that the property had not suffered dimi-nution, and had been recovered through his confession, a much lighter sentence was imposed upon him than otherwise he would have received.

The ladies at the cottage were profuse in their thanks to me, and I found my re-ward in a check for a handsome sum; besides the reflection that peace and plenty had been restored to deserving people through my instrumentality.—Joe Hawkins in Atlanta Constitution.

Winter Sport in Switzerland. There is plenty to do in Switzerland during the winter. The skating is excel-lent, for nearly all the lakes have on their shores inland "broads," or long, shallow overflows, divided from the more treacherous deeper water by low banks, on which the ice forms quickly, smoothly and safely, ffording long, exhilarating runs. Earlier in the season there is shooting—free untrammeled sport, fettered by no restrictions save the formality of a gun license at a ridiculously low cost. Game certainly is not very abundant. It is nowhere preserved, the profession of keeper is unknown, and the massacre of battues and driving unheard of; but there is the long, bracing walk through the clear air, and the ever changing, ever heavility scarces, the rests where we have the content of the c the clear air, and the ever changing, ever beautiful scenery; the rests, where magnificent views are obtained; the stopping at little rustic inns for the simple refreshment of bread and cheese, washed down by the white wine of the country and the less bucolic kirschwasser, and then the capture of some wild bird or beast that has led you a brisk, long, but not exhausting chase through wood and valley.—"M. De S." in New York Sun.

An American in Switzerland. An American in Switzerland.

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"Just look at that glacier! Isn't it

"Just look at that glacier! Isn't it grand! Isn't it magnificent?" "Oh, I don't know. That glacier-now

well, that glacier hasn't got ice enough in it to keep New York going for a week."

Then it was at Interlachen.
"What a perfectly lovely spot! What a charming town! Isn't it perfectly de-

lightful!"
"That—that town!" said the growler.
"Yes, ft's rather pretty, but look here, I know a tree in California with timber enough in it to frame the whole blamed country."—San Francisco Chronicle.

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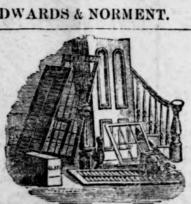
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