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CHAPTER XL

WINFORD'S VIOLENCE.

Aranak was intensely elated by the result

I sat vainly endeavouring to remember what articles I had handled in the dead man's room on the fatal night. But his triumph was not by any means so complete as he reckoned, and when I had sufficiently recovered from the first effects to be able to think things out, I saw what to be able to think things out, I saw what line to take. As the photograph of the im- gang. pression of my finger was in the possession of the police it could make little difference whether I gave him one now or refused it. Then I recalled Manuel's conduct when we whether I gave him one now or refused it. Then I recalled Manuel's conduct when we He would only here to the im-He would only have to tell them about the wards had entered so silently that we had me. matter and they would know that I had been not heard him. Could Peterson have been "We won't have any girl in this thing," he with him? They had come over together to declared. "Girl, indeed! And why the devil I admired the Armenian's cunning. With-square accounts with the Jew. And if he had pick this one out of all London?"

"I am quite willing to do what you ask, Mr. Aranak, if it is necessary," I said after

What do you wish me to do? Eva is also easy-going friend to a violent, hectoring intensely disappointed not to have seen you builty. to day He was still in the same mood when

OUR NEW STORY. # # #

I found it very difficult to frame a reply. Gourley arrived, and as he believed that the Aranak was intensely elated by the result I could give no reason and offer no excuse scene was due to my having repeated my in-of his shrewd, unexpected move. He was a other than my own wish. "I can only ask tention to "betray" them, he was quite cruel beast, and I believe it gave him posi-tive pleasure to witness my discomfiture as was all that I wrote.

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"What girl? What are you talking about? What is all this, Rentmain?" demanded

out compromising himself he had contrived to let me know that he had found Gourley's letter and had given the police proofs about my part in the affair. But, as cumning people are apt to do, he had overreached himself and it was now my turn to twist the screw for him. I had never seen him, except on the night years before when we thought Manuel had killed him. But that he was a despicable scoundrel was shown in his ready acceptance of the position of a confederate in Hoff-gang's dirty work of blackmailing.

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a chill caught whilst looking at a cricket match. I thought at first it was nothing but a bad cold, but as I kept getting worse I sent for a doctor, bo ordered me to bed. The doctor told my wife I was dangerously ill and might die at any ninute. My three sons came to see me, and one of them who had faith in Warner's 'Safe' Cure went and purchased two bottles. He gave me a little of the medicine as soon as I could take and it revived me. I used nine bottles in all, and to-day I am, at the age of 80, in as good health as ever I was. I was in bed for eight months. When the doctor saw me he said '1 was a miracle," but it was Warner's 'Safe'



he long pause. "Of course, it may not be; and I need scarcely say that I should be most unwilling to do anything to prejudice so great a friend of Miss Marna, I have far too great a regard for her to cause her any pain." this ingenious fashion he brought her back into the conversation.

I had my wits about me again by that time, so I helped him forward toward what I judged to be the object of his visit. "A man naturally considers the feelings of a woman he has hoped to marry," I said.

"Still hopes Mr. Rentmain. It is still the paramount object of my life, and am not easily turned from an object. You met her recently on the "Euthasia," and until that occurred there was nothing to interfere with our marriage. Allow me," he interposed as I was about to speak. "I wish to have this matter perfectly plain between us. You heard her break off the engagement, and am perfectly aware that you were in a great measure the cause of that. It is therefore a case of deciding between you and me, and I

"You are speaking more plainly about this than about other matters. I invite a similar frankness, Mr. Aranak." He paused a second. "I will be frank

then. You were one of the four men who were in the room when Mr. Hoffgang was murdered. That tell-tale finger proves it. Hofigang. In other words, by telling her I have but to tell the police on whose hand they will find the finger-mark which corresponds with the photograph in their possession, and they may be trusted to do the rest. I do not wish to open my lips, and I shall not do so, if instead of oppos-

"In what way?" I asked, choking back my indignation. "Very simply. A short, blunt letter tell-

ing her that you have no intention of seeing her again, and a pledge to me that you will not do so.'

I could have taken him by the throat with pleasure and thrashed him for his insolent and imfamous suggestion. But violence would not mend matters. "Wait a moment. Are you not forgetting something? Assuming that all you say is true, what would be the value of your silence, since the letter you brought with you states that the writer can identify one of the four men?"

He was not prepared for the letter being turned against him in this way. The sight of my scarred finger had suggested the much more formidable line of attack, and the letter was now an obstacle. He was obviously disconcerted. "I-I could deal with

ang's dirty work of blackmailing. Did Manuel know that Peterson had done all," exclaimed Winford wildly. "Is this it, and was it to shield him that he had

warned me not to provoke Aranak! A hundred questions of this sort occurred to more," I replied doggedly. me during the next day as I waited restlessly for news of Gourley and Winford. It & while. "I call it betraying us," said was not impossible that this might be the solution of the mystery; indeed, anything

seemed possible in the tangled maze of conflicting facts and irreconcilable inferences, and I was ready to grasp at any straw in the mood of bailled speculation and racking suspense in which I passed that second day of "When ?"

In the evening, however, Gourley returned and came to my flat. He was looking terribly harassed and worn. "I couldn't stay away any longer, Rentmain. I had to come back and learn the news. I meant to be away a week, but I simply couldn't. should have blown my brains out. What is the news? Bad?"

"I wish I could say it wasn't," and I told him what had occurred. "The trouble is , this," I concluded. "If I cannot give Miss have come this evening to learn what you Clifford a sufficient reason for being silent you've sworn to hold your tongue." she will accuse this fellow Aranak; his arrest will follow; and as he knows that we

four were in the room you can judge the consequences." "How could you stop her?" "I can see only one way-by satisfying her

waiting.

that the Armenian could not have killed the truth, and admitting that we were present at the time."

"And having her give us in custody instead of him. "She won't do that."

ing my marriage with Miss Marna, you help get to the bottom of the thing, and she made you promise to help her"; and he shook his head and eighed dejectedly.

"Well, I've made up my mind to tell her, Gourley "But you can't do that unless we agree."

"I don't take that view. If you had listened to me instead of that brother of yours, we should have stopped in the house and faced things on the spot, and then nothing of all this mess would have come of it, because this Armenian snake would have been found in the room. I mean to take my own

line now, thorefore, for I believe it's the only way to safety." "You mean you'll break your word, then ?"

"I did not promise unconditional silence," replied warmly. "It was only cowardice that made you bolt on the night, and its very much the same thing now. I've had two days of hell, waiting for you to return. and I'm going to do what I think best.

the truth Rentmain?"

"I've given my reasons and shan't say any

The other two glared at me in silence for Gourley presently. "What do you call it, Winford?"

"I say that no woman shall be told any thing. I mean that, Rentmain."

"You can mean it or not, I'm going to do what I cay."

"I should do it to night if it weren't so late. But I shall see her to morrow morning. I tell you it's the only way to prevent Aranak's arrest."

"I say you ought not to do anything of the sort," said Gourley.

"I go farther. I say he shan't do it." exclaimed Winford passionately.

"I say I shall," I replied, and got up to leave

Winford rushed to the door and put his back to it. "You shan't leave here until

"You're mad, Winford," I said, meeting his wild, angry look. " Let me go." "Will you give me your word to hold

your tongue?" he demanded fiercely. "No 1 won't" I was now as furious as

he was. His features were contorted with uncon-

trollable passion, his eyes glared and his lips quivered as he repeated the question. "I'll see you in h--- first," I answered furiously.

He clenched his fists, and for an instant I thought he was going to spring at my throat, but instead he bent suddenly to one side, opened the drawer of a table, snatched out a revolver, and levelled it within a foor of my face.

"Winford !" called Gourley in a panic, as he jumped up to interfere.

"Get back, you fool!" cried Winford thrusting him away with a force that sent him reeling across the room. "I'll see to it that you do hold your tongue," he should at me, with a fierce oath, and as I sprang forward to catch his arm he pulled the trigger.

I owed my life, as I discovered afterwards, to Roberts, who, fearing that his master would do something desperate in his frenzied mood, had drawn the cartridges. There was no need for any struggle. The instant he had attempted to fire, the reaction came and he seemed to realise the madness of his act. His passion fell from him like

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"What do you think ?"

Eva had hinted.

a cloak; he reeled back against the door. P.C. Dewhurst said on the 15th inst. he staring at me as if paralysed with horror;



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him," he replied hesitatingly. shall either tell Miss Clifford or go to the I shook my head. "No thank you. There police." must be something more definite and tan-He sat chewing this in disconsolate gible than that. You don't even know the silence. "What does Winford say?" "He's away, too. You've both left me man.' "But that doesn't affect the evidence of to face things alone, and now you come the finger-mark." back and want to dictate to me. And I I shook my head again, more vigorously won't stand it. "You have brought two horses and you must There was another long pause, broken this ride them both, Mr. Aranak. Your case is time by the telephone bell. It was Roberts, that you can get me into this trouble in two to ask me to go at once to his master, who ways-your own evidence about this"-and had returned ill: "Winford's back," I said I held up my finger-"and also by the to Gourley. "We'd better go round and see testimony of the writer of the letter. Your silence is useless, therefore, while the other "What's the use? You've made up your mind to betray us," he answered, rising. man is open to speak. And you don't even "Do what you like and be hanged to you," know him." "But I think I do," he replied, after I growled as I put on my hat and coat and we went out together. "You're in such an hinking a moment. " Isn't his name Aranak?" abject funk you can't think straight." "Yes," he admitted with a shrug. "Now "I say it is betraying us, Rentmain." "I heard you. You didn't whisper it." that the other evidence is so strong there's "And Winford will say the same. no harm in you knowing." It was my turn to smile now. "Isn't "Come and hear him say in then, and hear there? How does Mr. Aranak know that my answer at the same time." I retorted four men were in the room at the time of angrily, as we went out and I hailed a cab. Mr. Hoffgang's death ?" "If he takes the same view as 1 do will He could not repress a start of concern. you stand with us?" You have samitted it," he said. "No, not if there were a legion of you "But not before you wrote this letter," I against me. retorted sharply. "Now, where were you at He tossed up his hands and turned away; the time?" but just as I was driving off he returned. "I have already stated that on oath. "Yes, I'll come presently, but I must go to my chambers first. Wait there for me." was in my room. "You lying, and you perjured yourself be-I didn't care a button whether he came or fors the coroner," I rapped back sternly. not. I was firmly resolved on the line I You were in the room yourself, sir." "How dare you make such a charge against me." "Because I know. After the four men You created the appearance of a struggle him. in the room, and put together the little pile papers for which you had originally gone I telephoned to you?" to the room when your employer surprised | you, and carried away the revolver which was lying on the table in front of the dead I delivered this description of his actions part of which was founded on the facts I

meant to take, for I was convinced it was the only possible way of stopping the arrest MOTHER, IF YOUR CHILD'S TONGUE of Aranak. We had got into far too much trouble already through following his had left you went to the window and looked cowardly lead, and I had had more than out after them. You then switched on the enough of it. The two days of solitary sus- IF CROSS, FEVERISH, CONSTIPATED, lights for an instant only, however, using pense had tried my temper very severely, BILIOUS, AND THE STOMACH OUT your electric torch for what you had to do, and it was a relief to vent some of it on "Mr Winford told me not to let you know of valuables as if the thieves had done it he had returned, sir; but I felt that someone and been disturbed; you then took the ought to see him. Will you please not say "Certainly. How long has he been back?" "About an hour, sir. Something very serious must have occurred. I am sure. I grows sluggish, and the stomach is disman, and as a last move, you cut out a have never seen him in quite such a state ordered piece of the window pane as if it had been as this. He looks as if he had not had a bite Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or the work of the theives. You then left the of food nor a minute's rest since he went your child is listless, cross, feverish, with Sorry room by the window, crept round to the away, and his clothes couldn't have been in tainted breath, restless, doesn't eat heartily, front door, and let yourself in, thus regain- a worse state if he had been tramping the or has a cold, sore throat, or any other ing your own room, as you thought and roads all the time. I 'phoned you as soon as children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, he had changed, sir.' because it is a perfectly harmless dose, and Roberts had not exaggerated matters. in a few hours all this constipation-poison. Winford was as grey as death, but he was sour bile and fermenting waste-matter will worse in mind than in body. He looked to gently move out of the bowels, and you will me as if he was on the verge of a collapse. have a healthy, playful child again. He was pacing up and down the room smokthorough "inside cleansing" is oft-times all ing furiously and evidently resented my visit. "What is it?" he asked with a scowl. "How ment given in any sickness. did you know I was back?" Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your "I've been almost living on your doorstep chemist for a bottle of "California Syrup of the last two days in my anxiety to see you, Figs," which has full directions for babies, Winford." children of all ages, and for grown-ups plainly "Not that Hoffgang affair?" he growled printed on the bottle. Look carefully and see with an oath. that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup "Yes, it is," I said, none too pleased with Company." All leading chemists sell California my reception. Syrup of Figs at 1s. 13d. and 1s. 9d. per bottle. "Then I don't want to hear anything about Refuse substitutes.

saw the defendant staggering about Washthe revolver fell from his nerveless fingers, and he clasped his hands to his face with a ington-street in a drunken condition. shuddering groan and threw himself into took her to the police station, where the a chair and burst into a storm of wild, Chief Constable saw her and allowed her hysterical sobs. to be taken home in a cab, as she was in-A glance at Gourley's white face showed

capable of taking care of herself. me that he and I were sharing the same Defendant's husband, a respectably dressed thought

man, said his wife suffered from her nerves, We left the room without a word, and ! and at certain periods she suffered great told Roberts as I passed him that his master pain and was unable to walk steadily. She When we reached the street Gourley voiced had been attended by several doctors for her the thought which had occurred to us both nerves. When the constable saw her she was at the same moment. not drunk, but was suffering from pains from "We know now how Hoffgang met his her nerves being wrong. She was now st death." he said in a low unsteady tone.

home suffering very much from the malady. She had told him that she did not remember "I'm afraid to think." I replied. anything about the matter, and that she had "He was mad at that moment just now." no recollection where she had been on the "He meant to kill you," he exclaimed, day in question, and she did not remember and with a despairing toss of the hands he being at the police station at all.

Went dway. I was intensely agitated by the shock of In reply to Dr. Nuttall, the husband said the thing, as well as by the extraordinary owing to her nerves his wife swooned at change in Winford, and as I walked home times. His wife was not in the habit of taking . Eva Desbrough's words about him once liquor to excess, and only took very little at more recurred to me. the periods when she suffered from her The thought that Winford, my closest and nerves, and at those times she had not condearest friend, might have done murder in urol of herself. moment of madness was more horrifying

The Magistrates' Clerk said drink was the than 1 can express. But he had certainly worst thing she could take for her nerves. meant to shoot me, and I felt that I must The husband, in asking the Bench to deal loose no time in learning the truth at which leniently, said this was an isolated case so far as his wife was concorned. (To be continued next Tuesday.)

The Chief Constable said there was nothing against the defendant. He had known her for some time, and she was a very respectable woman. When he saw her at the police station she had the appearance of having had drink, and he ordered her to be taken home in a cab. Dr. Nuttall said in the defendant's state

moned for drunkenness. The husband said

his wife was too ill to appear.

the worst thing she could do was to take any OF ORDER, GIVE "CALIFORNIA intoxicating liquor at all. Defendant was ordered to pay costs, the Mayor advising her to let the liquor alone. A laxative to-day saves a bilious child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the BURNLEY SOCIALIST'S time from play to empty their bowels, which becomes clogged up with waste; then the liver

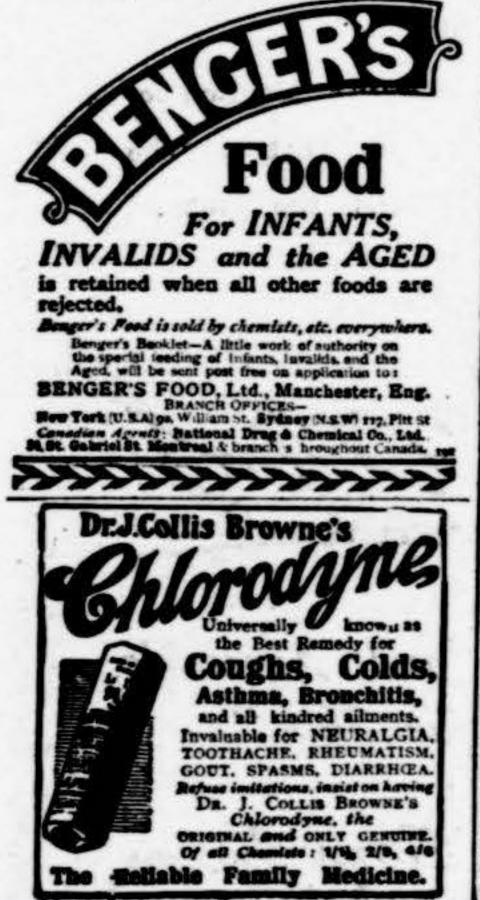
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He Had Money to Leave.

"Often a Curse."

Mr. William Marshall, of Hall-lane, Longton,





knew and part guesswork, with all the earnest emphasis I could command, and almost every syllable got right home. He sat staring at me like a cornered venomous beast kalculating the chances of a last struggle. "You want my answer to your infamous proposal, I suppose. "Well, here it is." And I rose and threw the door open. "You're an infernal secondrel and may go straight

to Scotland Yard and tell all you know, if you dare, or shout it aloud as you walk along the street. I care nothing what you do. But, by Heaven, if you attempt to in-

june me, it is you, not I, who will repent it. That's my last word. Now go!" He rose woofully crestfallen and alarmed

"I do not wish to part like this, Mr. Rentmain." he muttered. "There'll be a very different parting in a

step toward him. He avoided me and went to the door. "If where and when I please without all London you persist in this I shall tell everything at raising a hue and cry after me?" he cried the adjourned inquest," he paused to say, with another oath,

Lace.

and for answer I slammed the door in his

temper, and for some time after he had left y and carefully prepared for me. But

when my anger had cooled I realised that I one where I go? You or anyone, else Rent- tween a gunboat and a Grimsby trawler. had gained nothing by my conduct except main? You presume too much on your the expenditure of a little spleen. frieudshin.

The facts of the position were as grim and threatening as ever; I was not a jot nearer me this? I don't wish to know where you've to the solution of the mystery. I had let been, but I did wish, and had every right him learn what I knew and guessed about to know, how I could get at you when him and had thus set him at liberty to things were in this devil of a mess with us exercise his wily ingenuity in devising some all." fresh attack upon Marna or myself.

"There you go again, with your 'right to To make matters worse, the post brought get as me'; right indeed !" and he laughed me a letter from her saying that she had ex- scornfully, and plunged into a tirade of pocted to see me that day, as I had asked anery invictive. her to delay telling what she knew about I listened in amazement. I had never

him. "Is there any reason why I should seen him in such a mood as this, giving not speak to morrow?" she asked. "Surely way to his fierce passion, almost as if his

you must see that every hour increases the mind had lost its balance. Roberts was right difficulties of my position and renders my indeed; something very unusual must have silence open to greater misconstruction. occurred to transform him from the placid

"You'd better pull yourself together, man, for I must speak about it. A lot of things have happened since you went off."

To my intense surprise this roused him to moment, if you don't go," I cried, taking a a positive passion. "What do you mean about "went off"? Haven't I a right to go

"I haven't been raising a hue and cry.

formance for distance took place in 1884, when I don't understand you. If you ask me, It had been a great relief to lose my think that at such a time you ought to have let me know where to find you, instead of

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Preston, who was in business at Burnley as a house furnisher, left estate valued at £13,934. In his will Mr. Marshall, who was well known that is necessary. It should be the first treat- as a Socialist, and was at one time a member of the Burnley Town Council, stated ---

I feel that I am sorry I have money to leave, because inherited money often proves a curse. I, however, sincerely hope that in this case it will prove a blesing to the recipients. I desire to impress upon my children to use it well, in which case they will do honour to the giver. Believing that this my last hope and desire will be fulfilled, I shall die happy.

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PROOF OF SOCIALIST FAITH

He requested his executors if they should be the gunboat Victoria, commanded by Lieuable to sell the Albambra Picture Palace, withtenant Knox, towed the Australian torpedo- out Ruskin Hall to offer Ruskin Hall as a gift boat Childers from Suskin to Melbourne by to the Corporation of Burnley for the purposes the room I was glad to think I had let him leaving me to bear the brunt of everything way of Aden, Colombo, Batavia, Thursday of a Branch Free Library for the town subject Island, Brisbane, and Sydney, nearly 9,000 to a ground rent of £5 10s. per annum, and to "And what the devil has it do with any miles. But there is a world of difference be- the Corporation accepting the bequest within six months of its being offered to them, saying, "I make such a request to my trustees to offer Ruskin Hall as a gift for the benefit of my fellow townspeople of Burnley because I am a Socialist, and as a substantial proof of the sincerity of the Socialistic faith within me. I believe that all land and capital ought to be

Sir Matthew Amcotts Wilson, Bart, died on Sunday midnight at his residence, Eshton Hall, Gargrave, in his 62nd year, Sir Matthew had been all for about a fortnight, his death last year was 163,023, as against 175,749 in being due to complications following an attack of influenza.

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