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He was very short in stature, almost drawfish, with a pot-belly; and with shoulers the Hunchback.

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rupt house was not left destitute. By so that the lobes of the huge cars touched fifty-did me like this-eight-before-

to be seen with envious eyes by those of the other invariably remained of a dull slender purses and many desires. I will green color, and that they squinted toward not copy the catalogue, nor even attempt one another as if the point of their ownto estimate what it contained. Suffice it er's nose was the only thing in creation great galleries in Europe, was sold at that to say that, to contribute to its contents, worth regarding. Nor, if they thought so, sale for eight thousand pounds: "Dead Sevres, and Golconda, and Damascus, and were they altogether without justification Magpic," by Jones, went to the Hunch-Lyons, and, better still, Florence, and for their belief. The nose in question was Venice, and Rome had done their best, and of vast size, seeming to project in its bold that the courts of kings and the galler- curve beyond the pigeon-breast; its form ies of nations became ennobled by the fall was that of the segment of a circle, of of the house of Cranstoun. Among the which the most advanced point, instead of ordinary herd of brokers and dealers were being the tip, was the bridge, while the to be seen purchasers of a different order tip itself was so depressed that it would said, half politely, half sneeringly. "Do from those who are usually to be found at have interfered with the upper lip, were it you know that you'll have to pay for this sales-there were special envoys and pleni- not that the whole cumbrous machine bore | rubbish! I don't suppose that Mr. Cranpotentiaries from almost every great center so much to the right hand as to leave the stoun will consider it quite so much a joke of art and luxury in Europe, silent, re- mouth as much master of the situation as as you and I." served and diplomatic-eagles among the if there had been no nose at all. In color latter, by most of whom he appeared to be tremble like calves' foot jelly when its

sale of the pictures. There were Guidos, caverns, with which the small-pox had Titians, Rubenses, Rafaeles, nay, even covered the whole face, and the pimples, -unless, of course, its painter should hap- movements of his hands and the tone of too." pen to have a name. The auctioneer look- his voice all told of an unutterable and I must also observe that hypocrites walk ed just a little ashamed. Indeed, there all-pervading greed. was no apparent reason at all why such a their outward deportment resembles that minnow as this should have found a place might be, it did not appear to call forth the

out of wood, lying upon a dirty-white table.

Perhaps Jones had been a poor drawingmaster, with a starving wife and family, and this particular piece of rubbish had been bought out of charity.

Still, there are people who speculate in dead magpies rather than not speculate at

after a pause. Mr. Grode, as if to continue his occasional pastime, nodded. If he chose to give three and sixpence for a momento of this great sale, why should be not indulge his

The pale sherry in which some of the purchasers had been indulging at discre-

the dealers. "Blessed if this here oughtn't

"Five and-six." said Mr. Grode, care-

and Rembrandts, said suddenly, in a sharp -A colored philosopher thus nuburdened Hebrew voice, "Sheven!"

Mexican Grane, demastives about de women as de women do round the from at such a triumph of faceabout men. If women look at de moon, tionaness

ders so round as to make him almost a "A hundred!" at last exclaimed the lathunchback, one of them being rather ter. "A hundred-and-fifty!" higher than the other. His chin, adorned with a course beard of grizzled red, hung down upon his breast, which was formed

rary paralysis of trade. It would simply large, in fact, that it seemed to hang down "I say, Levi" said one of the brokers, be too great a labor to write down the over the breast by reason of its own weight, apparently of his own persuasion, "what

some process of settlements, he was still the shoulder-blades. But the face, which master of more than a competence, and of thus seemed to be in the mathematical looked like-fourteen-jusht such rubbish mitigating the ruin of many suffering cous, would scarcely have done it justice. and he wouldn't-twelve-go ahead like homes, and a sale was advertised of all the There was absolutely no forchead: a scar- thish if he didn't know ash there wash thought him mad; but they could not deny entire space between the eyes and the goesh!-shikshteen-sheventeen-I can that there was something like heroism in limit of the hair. Beneath this scarlet line shtand it." gleamed two obliquely-set eyes, like those It was this sale that was so punctually of a cat in all respects save that while in self. "Twenty thousand!" attended by Mr. Grode; and it was a sale certain lights one of them became yellow,

"I can afford it, Mishter," answered crew of chattering vultures. Through the it was that of raw flesh, and it seemed to Levi, slapping his trouser-pocket. well known, Mr. Grode elbowed his way wearer moved. The mouth was large, and bluntly and candidly. "Old associations, until he reached the vast saloon in which grotesquely shaped, with immense and and all that sort of thing, you know-never the auctioneer had raised his throne. Then | monstrously thick lips, always wide apart, | mind that. One must be sentimental and he seated himself at a long table, took out of which the upper was unshaved, and the soft hearted sometimes, you know, hang it his gold pencil case once more, and looked lower excessively pendulous, and both, in all! Tell you what, I'll give you eightytheir separation, displayed two broken five thousand to be off your bargain-But, for the present, he made no outward rows of huge yellow jagged teeth, one eye- there's a chance for you! Eighty thousand sign. Lot after lot fell beneath the ham- tooth resembling a tusk that stuck out hor- all at once, and five thousand in six months. mer, but for not one did he make a single | ribly, and as if intended for a formidable | It'll all be clear profit on a daub not worth bid, except, as it seemed, for pastime, weapon of offense. The whiskers upon the twopence farthing. You'll be a rich man, without any real intention of securing broad, puckered cheeks were thin and Levi; and you'll have the pleasure of takwhat he scarcely looked at when it was sparse, thus revealing, in all their leaden- ing me in besides. Eighty-five thousand!" displayed. To-day was set apart for the hued loathsomeness, the pits, or rather the "Guineash!"

"Half a guinea! he said, decisively .-

ing eyes, which could see readily enough

At last, as the bids increased, even the

bystanders could perceive that this was

not a mere joke on the part of the drawf,

any more than that it was any longer a

"Grode means to have that picture,"

"And old Levi sees that, and doesn't

mean to let him," said another. Do you

remember that sale at Lord St. Kenelm's

what was to their owner's advantage.

pastime on that of his rival.

said one.

his practiced eye.

"Fifteen!" .

"Twenty!"

" Five-and-twentyl"

Sodomas and Michael Angelos, every one or rather hillocks, with which the caverns be he ish more than he looksh," replied of which went at some price that would be were relieved. The long finger-nails, like the Jew, passing his hand over the crack-To profile means for this magnifecture after the state of the profile of the prof earned: power, wealth, ancestry giving Munich, some to great private galleries, ness of its appearance and from the min- and guineas for old associations' sake. than the body which follows it. Then room began to clear. Still, even the lesser of the best blue cloth, and fashionably cut; neither am I," he answered. "So I'll

again many a man is fortunate enough to fry have their value, and a few bidders, his waistcoat of seal-skin, over which two jusht take a look at him." "And lose eighty-five thousand guineas? his fame may be well merited it is only on few score pictures of minor importance had massy folds; his trousers were plaid, of a On my soul, I can't offer a penny more. one side of him, like the shadow. He will gone for fairly good prices, the porter "loud" pattern; his cravat, fastened by a Perhaps by to-night I shall have come

"You're a---." No matter how Mr Grode finished the sentence. With anoth-But, however remarkable his appearance er angry glare round him he left the room

and the house.

prize under his arm.
His defeated rival for the charms of the dead magpie was certainly in a violent

rage. His fresh complexion had deepened to an apoplectic red, his veins were swollen, his scowl was as black as midnight, and he strode rapidly along, with his fists closed almost desperately.

At last his seven-leagued boots carried

struck to stone. And yet the sight that he the dead magpie. Mr. Grode was not the man, as he well knew, to throw away shilsaw was charming enough in its way. It lings for nothing, and yet for nothing it was nothing less than that of a pair of lovers engaged in the closest and most affectionate conversation, so much wrapped up The outside value of the picture had

With an oath, he hurried onward to the gate, but found it locked, so that he was obliged to go home for his own key, before he could turn the duet into a trio. He thundered at his own door as if he were a visitor's footman, and having strode in, searched violently for the key in every drawer and cupboard in every room in the house, littering every floor with the contents of them; but it was not to be found. So at last he rang the bell, like a man in a thunder passion as he was, and shouted out to the maid-servant who had answered him

before, "Where's the key of the Square?" "Please, sir, Miss Felicia has taken it." He stamped and swore till he almost made her gay ribbons uncurl themselves

"Hany way this 'll be a bad bargain." said one great art critic. "Hi wouldn't Miss Felicia. It may be remembered that her father The last bid had been ten pounds on the had sent her crying to her room, or rather

of auctions. A mania seemed to have "Oh, m'selle," she said feeling in the effect of what he managed to say and the gravel up dinner."

seized both the opponents, and to have pocket of her dress, "I have a letter for during their walk up and down the gravel up dinner."

His anger may appear unreasonably expensed to the same hours, that seemed the same hours that seemed to have proceed to the same hours. Applique began to resound, which, however, soon resolved itself into hearthless her tears stonged the resource and to defeat its own end and to

silence. If the shade of Jones could only their course, leaving her eyes bright and outside light into darkness. it was excessive been have been present, that great unknown clear. not lived in valu. Bets were freely offered | ed her search, while Felicia stood there made me a man?" This process of re-Ha was very short in stature, almost and taken, some backing Mr. Grode, other impatiently on the stairs with outstretched membering what was perfectly well-known

and then in another; she felt herself all your father was only too glad to welcome over, and ended by giving herself a good my father's heir for his son: he was as glad shake, to see if what she sought might as my poor father would have been to wel-"Two hundred!" cried Mr. Grode tri- chance to drop upon the floor; but the come you, my own Pearl, for his daughter accepted power in the world has been that

It seemed to have become a point of

It was long before their flood was over; hind it a bad headache and a feverish de-

black, leafless garden of the Square, which thus without some special reason and without sufficient cause; and to think that at every moment, for aught she knew, or could ever know, he might be ill, or unhappy, or expecting her to do something of the last importance, was simply distracting.

There was good reason why she should choose that garden for her walk. How often had she been there with him-not entered it, and walked up and down, only avoiding that part of it which had hitherto been their trysting-place .-She had not the heart to look upon it now invariably hugs to itself the bitter in pre- and which made her feel really ill. ference to the sweet, and rejoices in misery: if it can manage to be miserable it will .-

that looked as though they could never bear anything but festoons of soot, were preparing for her even now a glorious surprise. As she came slowly along one of the paths, called by courtesy gravel, she became aware that she was ne longer enjoying the luxury of solitude. She suddenly looked up, and it was ho.

was like, when we regard him through her opal eyes? But to other eyes also, besides hers, he was quite passable, being, atthough still quite a young man, a man, and a good-looking and honest-looking one: a little grave, as becomes one who is not without brains, and gentle-looking as be-

comes a gentleman. "My own darling!" he said, as he took her hand. "I thought you were never coming. Why did you not go at once to our old meeting place?" You would have found me there an hour ago. I had given you up, and was just going away."

"You came to meet me, then?" "What else could I come for? Do you mean to say that you are here by accident!" he asked with a half smile, looking down upon her tenderly, like one who knows that he has a right to answer his own questions in his own way.

"Quite by accident! How could I guess? Should I have come to meet you

"After your promise to your father?-Yes, I know that. But such a promise as that could not be meant to forbid one meeting more-one last meeting, perhaps for three whole years! My darling, I must have seen you this once in spite of all things. I should be miserable unless you him on his way home as far as Russell gave me just one parting word from your ways as true as I shall be, even though I know I ought to trust you even without within them a sight that increased ten-fold any last word. And you say you would

"I never said so, Arthur dearest," said

"Did you get my letter then? I gave it to Elise," asked Felicia's lover, after a "Papa found it, and burned it without

do think so all the same. I asked you to meet me at our old place, for the last time, that we might promise to be true to each ______ go up to your room and pack other before we part for these three long things as quick as thunder!" He years. How long they will be to me God

path, during the two hours that scemed

met you? How you first gave me life and to both without any such process took up furnished to new subscribers if desired.

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which had long since been reduced to ashes. shall ask no man to aid me." This was ter how little intellect those heroes of the Had she been a man, she would have another of his quixotisms. "Since you older years might have possessed, it was sworn, and have probably included in her have promised to wait for me till you can the strength of the physical man that gave wrath the innocent Elise. But as it was: be my wife with your father's consent or them prominence. The career of our race, "Oh, Elise!" she exclaimed, clasping without, I will wait and work for you from the calliest we know of its history, her hands together, "you have lost it—you patiently, with as perfect a trust for you as has been a stoady struggle upward from have let it fall somewhere! I know where I would have you put in me. Nothing in one height of improvement to another .it is-you need not look for it any more." the world shall tempt me from you; not One of the great lessons that the geolo-"I must have dropped it, I am afraid, for a moment shall I forget you. But tell gists have taught us, is, that through all me once more that, when the time for wait- our planet's convulsions and changes, from

was in a few seconds safely bolted in her in so much as a pretense of coquetry even tiles and lizards, through all the immense room, when she threw herself on her bed if his earnestness had not been enough to ages that must have elapsed since that prevent it.

me. There, I promise with my whole has made our planet a little better, a trifle heart! Will that content you?" And more pleasant residence for its population. now, good-bye for the last time."
"No, not for the last time," he exclaim-

laburnums, but which in that of mud and ed passionately, taking her closely to his snow was exactly in sympathy with her heart. It was dark now, so that their part- ers; certainly the truest conservative does dull wretchedness. Her lover, she knew, ing for three years could not have been not envy them their comforts. From their would not have communicated with her seen, even had there been any eyes to see. time to ours the career of our planet has home, almost running in her haste, while he strained his eyes after her as she vanished in the mist and gaslight. Then he somehow managed to gather himself together and go his way.

Felicia had, indeed, need to hurry, for a neighboring church-clock had warned her only in the month of lilacs, but in every that it was past her father's dinner-time .month of her year of love! So she She did not know how little inclined he The fabled "Golden Age" is pushed away was for dinner to-day, or she would not, back into the domain of myth and fable, perhaps, have taken such pains to rap al. the real earlier times were passed in a conmost inaudibly at the street-door, in the test of the strong for power over the weak. hope of entering without his knowing of We see this in the rise of the earlier States. that she had become the most miserable her return, so that she might be able to Some chieftain of more than usual physical girl in the whole world. It is true that descend from her room as if she had only prowess compelled the weaker to submit to many who have learned the intimate con- been rather longer over her dressing than his sway. The era of conquest, gradually nection of the bitter with the sweet and usual. In this maneuver she succeeded, the sweet with the bitter, would, seeing and joined her father in the dining-room that she had the consciousness of loving without his observing any, very excessive tion over the weak. We are at last beginand being loved, have held her to be a sub- signs of agitation, in spite of her hurry and ning to recognize the claims of right over ject rather of envy than of pity. But love her headache, which was now returning,

But as soon as she entered the room she felt that somehow something was wrong .-It forgets that such wretchedness itself is She had often seen her father in a storm sweet, and that there are plenty of pros- before; indeed, had not she herself been perous and satisfied and not unhappy men caught in a gust of it only that very mornand women in the world who would give ing? and she saw that it had now gathered more than half they possess to recover those in all its force. Of course her guilty couhappy days when they were so unhappy .- science told her that the storm was for her; But then Felicia was too young to prize and, though she was wrong in the main, her unhappiness as it deserved to be prized. she was not altogether wrong. In any case, Foolish girll Those black, barren shrubs, after his disappointment of the morning, the storm would have been there; but it would not have broken upon her in the way that it did unless she herself had given

> "Where have you been this afternoon?" he asked suddenly, as soon as she entered the room.

"Don't tell me any lies. You are late. And what's the reason, pray?"

I ring the bell? Dinner must be quite ready now." "No, confound you! You shall never

dine in my house again. Is that the way cycs ?" So it was all out. And yet she had not

been to blame. "Yes-I did meet Arthur while I was out. But it was quite by chance. And I

was not with him long-not longer than I could help. How could I help it? Indeed I did not mean." "How many lies are you going to tell me? It was not by chance: you did mean: and you were long-at least two hours: all

"Ask Elise, papa, what time I went out. And how could I meet him on purpose when you burned the note asking me to

"Ask Elise, indeed-your go-between, your _____. Are there no ways of letting you know you are wanted besides writing to you? Elise will have warning this very ening-and so will you, young lady.'

"Papa!"
"Yes, you young vixen, you undutiful monster. I shan't believe your word any more. I don't like pie-crust, you know that And if you make me eat nie-crust. more. I don't like pie-crust, you know that. And if you make me eat pie-crust, you shall cat the sack. If you don't, on this very spot, give up that scamp, that beggarly son of a swindling bankrupt—ah! you may cry your eyes out, if you like, but you shall never eat a meal in my house again, as sure as my name's Peter Grode.,'
But ishe was by no means crying her eyes out now. It is all very well to weep at harshness, but an injustice one should

toun or no?"

"No," she said only. In fact it was the only thing that was open to her to say.— She was doubtless a brave girl for saying it, but had she hesitated she would have "Papa found it, and burned it without been none the less a coward. There are letting me have it."

"Your father is—well I must not say, I suppose, what I think your father is, but I suppose, what I think your father is, but I to the letter.

"Then——," and he swore a big "Then——,"

"Then ____," and he swore a big oath—"then, you _____," and he called her by what was by no means a pet name the bell more violently than ever. "Elisc call a cab. Miss Felicia is going away knows."

The tears were coming into her eyes once more; and just one or two, after a hard lave no undutiful daughters, no go be have no undutiful daughters, no go be

be unreasonable is the way of anger; and it was excessive because it had a two-fold

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horrible thought flashed into the mind of poor man now, and shall have to work for been men of especial physical or military But Felicia did not remain to reply. ing is past, you will come to me then?" one class of existences to another, through The time was too short to indulge even the age of shell fish and encrinites, of repmysterious beginning when God created "And, I too," she said, at least in ef- heaven and earth-swung our solar system feet, "I, too, will think of you but once, a mass of flaming gas into space, our planet but that once will be always. Not one has witnessed a steady career of develop-

This course of progress did not cease when

at last man appeared. The first we know

with certainty of man is of the cave dwell-She forbade him resolutely to follow her been ever onward. From the humble fosfarther than the gate, and then hurried sil of the earliest period to the last great triumph of mind over matter, we can see the steady enward march of improvement; -tramping steadily on along the ages. The civilization of the past, has been to great extent the work of force, moral ideas seldom had much to do with it .-From the blood red furrows of war have sprung the flowers of peace and progress. softening, comes down to our own times, still a struggle of the strong for domina-

those of might. Justice is now at last claiming some scant recognition for the weak as well as the strong. Intellect is at last claiming recognition instead of muscle. The civilization of the past has been an armed one, the moral element is now pressing up for recognition. The mascu-

line civilization of the past is being softened and modified by an infusion of the female element. If the old Hebrew myth has any claim to recognition, Adam, man, was created first and turned out to take care of himself, but God soon found out the blunder he had made and tried his skill on a women. She was created, as we must believe, something better than man, because something later, as in all ages, the latest has been the best, If our best critics are worthy of credence two sets of records run through the book "Only into the Equare," she answered, of Genesis: the first makes the creation of tenly looked up, and it was ho.

He was—well, what matters it what he timely looked up, and it was ho.

He was—well, what matters it what he timely less are late. I am rather late. I last creates Eve as an afterthought; when the last creates Eve as an afterthought; when

God found out that he had made a mistake "I don't know-I am very sorry. Shall in his first attempt." The truth is neither are worthy of more attention than many another myth that has been taught until people have learned to believe in it and shape their actions accordingly. When I you keep your word? To go out walking hear people prating about the origin of with that young scamp before my very evil, I feel much like asking, would you do better yourself. Adam begun the caut of cowardice and hypocrisy, when, as the story tells us, he exclaimed cowardlike: "The woman thou gavest me did tempt me and I did eat." This disposition to throw our faults upon somebody else is

inherited, as well as original sin. From the earliest times the subjection of women has been one of the plainest facts of our planet's history. Instead of standing by the side of man as his equal and helpmeet, she has been made the victim of his passions-the plaything of his softer hours. Something, "scarcely better than his dog, but little dearer than his house;" for in many cases a man, I may as well uso the word, no brute would act as he does, will treat his dog with more consideration than his wife, whom a devil serving church compelled him to give the pledge to protect. A pledge that sits lightly on his shoulders, while hers to obey is a millstone about her neck.

People tell us that women are not capable of the same amount of mental exertion as men. Such folks do not read history. they forget that women have been denied all individuality, all chance to make their own way in the world. They forget that "I never said so, Arthur dearest," said the lips, while the eyes looked up shyly, reflecting the tenderness of his, but emitting, besides, an oven more tender light of their own.

"And yet you come by accident? Well, I must thank Fate then—that is to say you, darling, after all, for I know of no fate but you."

She had passed her arm through his, or he had placed it there—what matters which?—and he had taken her hand in his own. It was in this position that they were seen by Mr. Grode on his way from the sale. It was a trying situation, surely, for an enraged father, to have nothing but a row of railing between himself and such a scene that was thereby rendered visible, to the look between the reflect into the world."

"I nove promised not to see him or write they have been forbidden by social customs they have been forbidden by social customs they have been forbidden by social customs at they have been forbidden by social customs they have been forbidden by social customs at they have been forbidden by social customs they have been forbidden by social customs at they have been compelled to become depen-

all this force. In the earlier times of the Jewish State we hear of a Miriam and a Deboral, never in its later. When such bloody despots as David or gilded cowards as Solomon began to huntamong the pleasant homes of Israel for the fairest and purest to till their harems, Israel began a course of swift decline. The people of course followed the examples of the kings and the subjection of the women became complete, while the more complete that subjection became, the more complete also (Concluded on 3rd page.)

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An hour before, she spoke of things An hour before, she spoke of things.
That memory to the dying brings,
And kissed me all the while:
Then, after some sweet parting words,
She seem'd among her flowers and birds
Until she fell asleep.

'Twas summer then; 'tis autumu now; The crimson leaves fall off the bough, And strew the gravel sweep. I wander down the garden walk, And muse on all the happy talk We had beneath the limes;

Of golden eves when she and I
Sat watching here the flushing sky,
The sunset and the sea;
Or heard the children in the lanes,
Following home the harvest wains,
And shouting in their glee.

But when the daylight dies away, And ships grow dusky in the bay,
These recollections cease;
And in the stillness of the night Bright thoughts that end in dreams bright

Communicate their peace.

I wake and see the morning star, And hear the breakers on the bar, The voices on the shore; And then, with tears, I long to be Across a dim unsounded sea, With her forevermore. THE SHADOW. As a wise man was walking about his the sun of virtue, and the shadow of their reputation deservedly follows them. But towards the sun; and by this I mean that of the children of light. They talk of truth and goodness, and will contend for them with zeal, and it is hard to discriminate between their pretentions and real godliness. But they will often turn in their walk to contemplate their shadow; which shows that their chief aim is to win the vain honor of the world. They love the sun for the shadow it makes them cast, and when it becomes concealed behind a cloud they soon seek to gain a shadow from some other luminary. They have their reward in the world, and their shadows will never

be seen on the banks of the river of life." MARTYRDOM OF HYPOCRISY .- We hear much of martyrs and confessors, of those who were slain by the sword, or consumed in the fire; but we know little of that still larger number, who, by the mere threat of persecution, have been driven into an outward abandonment of their opinions, and who, thus forced into an apostacy the heart abhors, have passed the remainder of their lives in the practice of a constant and humiliating hypocrisy. It is this which is the real curse of religious persecution. For in this way men being constrained to mask their thoughts, there arises a bad habit of securing safety by falsehood, and of purchasing impunity with deceit. In ins way train becomes a necessary of life; whim! It would admirably suit the dust insincerity is made a daily custom; the whole tone of public feeling is vitiated, and of his front parlor. whole tone of public feeling is vitiated, and the gross amount of vice and of error fearfully increased .- Buckle.

among his white neighbors, asked for a little serious business was over. tobacco, and one of them having some loose in his pocket, gave him a handful. The day following, the Indian came back and to go to the National. Four-and-sixinquired for the donor, saying he had there! and tell the R. A.'s to give me a found a quarter of a dollar among the to. call in Wardour street. I won't be hard bacco. Being told that as it had been on 'em." given to him, he might as well keep it, he answered, pointing to his breast, "I got lessly, scarcely raising his eyes for a monant of the second of the seco a good man and a bad man here; and the meut from the catalogue which he was good man say it is not mine, I must return studying intently.

If to the gener: the bad man say, 'Why, "Ha! ha!" laughed the last bidder, Having removed to our own property at the Depot, it to the owner; the bad man say, 'Why, who seemed to be the comic man among he gave it to you, and it is your own now;' his heatherhood. "So I'm not to make my the good man say, 'That's not right, the his brotherhood. "So I'm not to make my tobacco is yours, not the money.' The fortune this time. Well, I've saved a 'arfbad man say, 'Never mind, you got it, go buy some dram,' the good man say, 'No, have got two bob for it." no, you must not do zo; so I don't know The auctioneer was just about to get rid what to do, and I think to go to sleep; but of so unprofitable a piece of rubbish as the good man and the bad man keep talk. quickly as possible, when one of the most bring the money back ! feel glad."

himself on one of woman's weaknesses;

PEARL AND EMERALD.

CHAPTER III-BATTLE ROYAL. Continued. Things were in this position when, one something like that of a pigeon. His umphantly bringing his fist down upon the that the great potentiate of commerce had prodigious length, reaching almost to his "And fifty!" cried the Hunchback, ex- Felicia. She remembered the letter she my Pearl, like Jacob for Rachel. I am not provess, and their deeds the song and been found by his valet, when the latter knee when he stood as upright as his fighad went to call him as usual in the morn- ure would allow-at least, that which be- in now!" ing, lying upon the floor, with a bottle of longed to the lower shoulder; and, while prussic acid by his side; and then it was his legs were short in contrary proportion, honor, for whose sake men are content to not amazed to hear that the affairs of the his flat feet and his course, red hands, of ruin themselves for a mero caprice. house had been going all wrong for any which the dirt was half concealed by a number of years, and that the only wonder cartload of valuable rings, were large the perspiration streaming from his forewas that it had not collapsed long before, enough for a man seven feet high. His head, Its fall was complete. Some of its mem- head, bald at the poll, but otherwise coverbers were tried on criminal charges, and ed with shock, uncombed hair of the same It was not shillings they were offeringtheir acquittal did not prevent the tempo- color as the beard, was also gigantic: so it was pounds.

number of figures necessary to represent its rather than because of the malformation of is it?" the shoulders, and to have crushed what

as though he meant work in earnest.

It goes before some without being were dispersed-some to Paris, some to barber's shop, to judge from the greasithem consequence beyond their deserts, so some to the dealers; the disposal of the gled odors, not of the most refined kind, that the shadow precedes, and is larger lesser fry began, and, at a late hour, the which it seemed to exhale. His coat was be the companion of his honor, and though principally brokers, remained. After a large golden watch-guards meandered in always have enemies who delight in paring placed in front of the auctioneer's desk a valuable diamond pin, was scarlet; and, off the edges of his geatness as thieves do small oil painting in a plain gilt frame, to over all, he wore a loose, white greatcoat, gold coin; so that on the side from which which even the most ignorant could as- with a velvet, collar. His whole effect was they take no honor is visible. Then there cribe no more value than that of a few shill as bizarre as it was hideous, and defied all are others who walk straight on towards lings-perhaps, fifteen, at the very outside analysis of expression, except that the

> among the tritons, unless it arose from a amount of personal remarks that might conscientious desire on the part of the ven- have been expected. In fact, it seemed to dor to give up all he had, even to the utter- be familiar to most who were there, and he himself to be treated with a sort of chafling most farthing. "The Dead Magpie. By Jones." Such respect by the professional buyers, differwas its description in the catalogue. And, ent from the more distant respect that was in fact, it represented an ill-drawn bird, in paid to Mr. Grode. The only special ata conventional position, with its feathers tention that he attracted to himself seemlooking as though they had been carved ed to be provoked by the single word, "Sheven!"

cloth. In size it was about eighteen inches by ten. Its surface was cracked and He did not like to be made a butt of. scratched all over, and the frame was mouldy and fly-blown. On the whole, per- The auctioneer looked surprised and inhaps, zero would have represented its artis- terested, and began to find imaginary mertie value more accurately than even iffteen its in the picture that had hitherto escaped farthings. Rubbish such as this will somehow find its way into the best collections.

"A 'arf crown," suggested one dealer, been passed. But the manner of Mr. Grode had become just a little anxiousimperceptibly to those who had the power of looking straight, but not to those squint-

tion, or at indiscretion, during the day, THE Two Voices.—An Indian, being made a joke not unseasonable after the "Where's Sir C- C- ?" said one of

> Levi's a cute customer in some things, but notice he always followed Grode's lead." but only to shake its many heads. give a bad tanner for it."

have got two bob for it."

The auctioneer was just about to get rid of so unprofitable a piece of rubbish as quickly as possible, when one of the most to describe the excitement that followed. It was simply unparalleled in the history of auctions. A mania seemed to have freely, and not unsuccessfully, for Titians and Rombrandts said suddenly in a sharm. ing all night, and trouble me; and now I satire bidders in the room, who had fought It was simply unparalleled in the history her with an air of knowing mystery. It was like an electric shock. All turnnumsen on one of woman and stared; and then a laugh ran ever, soon resolved itself into breathless her tears stopped themselves suddenly in long enough to change at all events the

master would at last have felt that he had "Yes, m'selle." And the girl continu-

m'selle. But you have found it then?"

She had run, or rather flown, up-stairs, and

"Ah," said the latter, "help me-four But still the heir to the head of the bank- ought to have been neck into nothingness, fifty-Moses-five-fifty-Grode onshe-six- and let her tears fairly come. thoushand—he bought—twelve—what but it exhausted itself at last, and left be-- wikshteen-ash thish-and it-eighteen-sire for active movement, in spite of the linstant will pass that I do not think of you ment. The procession of life in each of its pictures contained in the house in Grosve- remarkable part of it all. I do not think turned out—twenty-five—ash there was absolutely nothing and love you—not one! And the moment great periods has been led by the lowest remarkable part of it all. I do not think turned out—twenty-five—ash there wash— land, out as the land, o Now, therefore, was the time for him to ever seen: it required a skillful painter to Rubensh!—Five!—lovely!—he cleared—proceeding that never even suggested itself you are rich or poor—yes, whether you the cozoon to man. Each new species has make a grand coup after his own heart.— describe it, and even Pauson himself, the sheven!—ten thoushand by it—eight—he to her—she adopted the only possible out. The competence he threw away at once in great precursor of all painters of the hid- knowsh all about these thingsh-eleven- let for her energy by putting on her bonnet furniture and all the pictures. People still let line instead of eyebrows filled up the shomething behind—fourteen.—Sho here is pretty enough in the month of illacs and

> "Curse you!" muttered Grode to him-"Guineash!" cried the Hunchback.

"Three hundred!" said Mr. Grode, with

"Three-fifty!" said the other.

"Twenty-five!" There is no need to proceed. A glorious Titian, now the pride of one of the back for eighty thousand. CHAPTER IV-SIC VITA EST.

Mr. Grode threw a glance of angry hatred at his successful rival, and then came up to him blandly. "I wish you joy of your bargain!" he

"I want that picture," said Mr. Grode,

"Guineas." "I'll just take a peep at him firsht. May-

Come, Levi, it is done?" "No, Mishter, you're not an assh-

down to eighty-five pence-and if I sleep "Never you mind, Mishter. If you vantsh him, you will vant him to-morrow ash well. Sho I vill shleep upon him

"Mishter Grode ish a very shentimental man-very: and sho am I," said Levi to one of his fellow-dealers, with a tremendous wink of his green eye, as he took his

Mr. Grode looked up almost angrily .-Square. He walked on the garden-side of the road; and, suddenly happening to raise The new bidder also looked interested. He turned his squinting eyes apparently his symptoms of anger, except that it caused him to stand as still as if he had been toward the door, but, in reality, full upon

> in themselves and in each other as to be almost heedless of the almost public character of the place in which they were.

don't know a Hetty from a Wandyke. I and stand on end. But there was nothing to be done immediately, except to pace up and down like a hyena in a fume: a task he A little crowd collected round the daub, set himself to accordingly. Meanwhile this had been the history of

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