Maliba's Escape.

A THRILLING STORY.

MME. MALIBA, the famous tragic actress, sat in a private room of a hotel studying a drama in which she was to play the leading role

Floral offerings from her many admirers decked toe superbly furnished apartments, while she, with her golden hair arranged with artistic carelessness, her picturesque pompadour tea gown, looked what the world everywhere acknowledged—queen of her art.

The hour before dinner was perhaps the only one in the day she could call her own, and she usually spent it luxuriating in a lounge before the fire. But something in the act she had just finished brought to memory her brief married life, with its misunderstandings and fatal end; also the vision of a curly headed lad who calls her mother on her rare visits to her northern home, and for whose sake she has striven so successfully for the world's good will.

The grand blue eyes, as renowned as her art, grew misty with tears that glistened and fell in the firelight. Again she rehearsed the scene in which the heroine, finding herself at the mercy of a vengeance seeking husband—who wrongly imagines himself betrayed—wildly implores him to spare her life for the sake of her innocent child.

It will need all the power and passion of which she is mistress, and as she closes the book her eyes sparkle, and her cheeks glow with the prophetic sense of success.

The door suddenly opened, and a voice rather apologetically announced "Le Docteur de Vigny." Ere she could decline to receive him at this unwelcome hour, her visitor pushed lightly by the astonished waiter and entered into her presence.

Tall, dark and sallow, with eyes of peculiar brightness and with remarkably sunken cheeks, he yet presented a distinguished appearance, though his coat was by no means of a conventional cut. Breaking into a thousand apologies, he explained the cause of his visit. "Madame, I have made the science of medicine a life-long study, and have discovered a variety of remedies for all affections arising from exhaustion of the brain power. You, madame, I believe, are suffering at presens from this cause."

He drew a paper from his pocket and turned it down at a paragraph in which the press announced "the glad arrival of Mmme. Maliba in the French capital, whither she had come to consult a specialist respecting the impaired state of her nervous system, the result of the long and marvelously successful run of the late play."

She smiled rather coldly as she returned the paper. He was evidently some infatuated quack, who, after a lengthy preamble concerning his impoverished circumstances, would conclude by begging a subscription toward the intended publication of a medical treatise, which, of course, would never make its appearance.

"I am afraid this paper overrates my exertions, but what of your cure?"

He drew a shabby morocco case from his pocket and laid two dark, sinewy hands across it before answering. Then she noticed for the first time his wildly bright eye, reflecting some hidden fire.

"A baffled genius," decided the successful actress, and she addressed him more kindly.

"I shall be very glad to try your remedy, and recommend it to others if it prove successful."

"For this very reason have I sought so distinguished a patient, knowing that when I had effected a cure your fame might herald my own. The chief merit of my treatment," he continued, "is its simplicity." Then lowering his voice he went on: "It mainly consists in amputating the affected member and thoroughly cleansing the seat of disease. In your case, madame, it will necessitate the removal of the head, so as to regulate the activity of the cerebral organs." He opened the case and revealed a glittering, highly tempered dissecting knife.

In an instant the truth flashed upon her. She was in the presence and virtually in the power of a monomaniac. For a minute only the elaborately furnished room swam giddily around her, but summoning the sang froid of which she had more than an ordinary share, and which had borne her so successfully through the varied experiences of her early checkered career, she said as calmly as possible:

"I had better then summon my maid to assist me."

Hastily intercepting her action, he planted himself between her and the door.

"Madame," he replied, with a profound bow and deeply respectful manner, "it is not my rule to allow a third person to assist at an operation, as they invariably excite the patient, nor is there occasion for any unnecessary preliminary preparation."

Concealing her apprehensions, she looked around for means of escape. Not one presented itself.

The sole entrance to the room was guarded by her unwelcome guest. Her maid had leave of absence for at least an hour.

The apartment was situated in the more private part of the hotel, so that to deliberately ring or call for assistance would perhaps but expedite matters before help could arrive; and her fear rendered her incapable of offering any direct bodily resistance. She must temporize, so as to gain more time and opportunity.

"Have you effected many cures?" she asked pleasantly, resuming her seat with the peculiarly graceful manner so well known.

Disarmed by her composure, he, too, seated himself, though within touch of the door.

"Very many," he replied, "and so expeditiously that they were scarcely aware of it themselves. In one instance the face wore a smile, even after the head had been replaced."

A wilder light leaped from his eyes.

"But the world is ignorant. Never as yet have I been allowed to witness the result of my remedy. In your case it shall not be so."

Her breath came and went hurriedly, as she watched the nervous, dark fingers delicately touch and try the edge of the instrument.

But she was a brave woman, and as sweet as life is to most of us it is doubly dear when another's depends upon it. Must that bright, curly headed boy learn that his mother had suffered death at the hands of a madman?

"Yours must have been a most uncertain life," she continued, in the hope of diverting his thoughts, while she partially screened her face from the firelight and furtively followed his every expression.

Again the glittering eyes flashed as he spoke.

"The life of knowledge condemned by the ignorant; shrinking and hiding away by day, wandering solitary, starving, haunted by night, because I would enlighten the world. But they ever pursue me. Hark, did you not hear a step?"

He started, half rose and listened, one hand tightly grasping the glittering knife, the hungry, haunted eyes fixed on the calm, fair woman before him.

"It is no one; I shall not be interrupted for some time," she returned, as composedly as ever. Recovering himself, his face assumed a look of cunning that had been a stranger to it hitherto.

Often and often had her incomparable acting and presence of mind favorably decided the fate of a play trembling in the balance of the first night's decision. Her very life was at stake now; she would make one effort to save it. A glorious idea thrilled her bewildered brain and steadied her shaking nerves. Her art, the goddess she had served and worshipped, should not desert her now. With an inward prayer to that higher power which each one of us acknowledges in moments of extreme peril, she thought of her role in the new drama. It might answer her very need.

She turned, with the bewitching smile that was known half over Europe, and said: "Monsieur, one moment, if you please. I have to rehearse a new part for the first time to-morrow, and as it will naturally be too late to do so after my operation, with your permission I will go through it once again before we begin. Please take my chair near the fire. It may perhaps interest you to hear me." With her white jeweled hand she shook up the cushion and gracefully waved him toward it.

She stood before him, this beautiful renowned woman, in her trailing, gleaming draperies and her matchless grace, as she had stood before kings in the zenith of her success, and began to act for a higher wage than she had ever received yet—her own life.

Still she was gaining time. At any moment the guests might pass her door on their way to their rooms to dress for the evening.

How oppressively the exotics scented the air! Surely the atmosphere was becoming thicker. How difficult it was to breathe! The lights were burning dimmer now—nay, the lights in the room were a pair of dark, glittering eyes—one pair. Ten thousand that were burning in her brain. But beware! His hand is seeking the bright steel blade! She must not let her interest flag in her part. She sees the only thing that is left her to love—her boy—and hears him ask for his mother. She sees the child in the play, and stands before her merciless husband, who now looks like her silent guest. She begs, she implores with passionate tears and prayers the part demands, but her voice grows louder and louder. It rings through the room and echoes in the corridor, and yet the man never moves. He sees what she sees; he feels as she feels. There is a desperate cry for her own life—one long, reverberating cry for her child's. Then—hark—a step! Two, three, dozens of hurrying feet rushing along the corridor and bursting into the room. With startling eye balls and ashen lips she points to her tormentor and yells: "Seize him! He is mad!"

Not to-morrow nor for many to-morrows did Mme. Malita rehearse the play in which she subsequently rose to the height of her genius, for a critical attack of brain fever and a weary convalescence followed the visit of her lunatic guest, who on the night of that eventful day was safely relodged in a maison de sante under the superintendence of the doctor whose name he had borrowed.—*N. Y. Advertiser.*

THE NEW YORK FRUIT MARKET.

The first Almeria grapes of the season have arrived, and 1,542 barrels have been sold at the wholesale auction recently. The prices ranged from $3 to $6 50 a barrel, the average for the entire sale being $4.65. This sale is ten days earlier than the first offering of last year. The fruit was of the best quality, though the prices were high. It is estimated that 90,000 barrels will constitute the total shipments to the United States this year, against 125,000 barrels last season. The only oranges now to be had, excepting a few from Sicily, are those from Jamacia, and the fruit is of fair quality, considering its earliness. Several car loads of Albermarle Pippins from Virginia have already been shipped from this port to England.

Other American apples now in European markets are Baldwins, Greenings, Kings, Northern Spies and Ben Davis, the highest grades selling there for $3 to $6 a barrel. Although 17,845 barrels of cranberries have thus far reached this city, besides 3,082 crates, twice as many as were received up to the same time last year, the demand for this fruit has been active enough to force high prices. The excessive heat during September is said to have injured the Cape Cod crop, and frosts have more recently damaged the New Jersey cranberry bog, so that the total yield will not more than equal the short crop of last season. Extra large varieties from Cape Cod command $8 a barrel.

The season for California fruit is drawing to a close. The last plums, prunes and peaches have been received. Pears are scarce, and will continue to be so during the winter, since much of this fruit has been forwarded to England. One hundred carloads of California fruits have crossed the ocean during the summer and autumn, and Clairgeau, Duchesse, Easter Beurre, Comice and Glout Morceau pears now command $3 to $5 a box wholesale in Great Britain; prices for the same sorts here range from $1.85 to $3.20 a box. Grapes constituted the bulk of thirty-seven car loads of Western fruits sold in this city recently. Chestnuts, which early in the week sold for $7.50 to $8 a barrel, fallen to $4, and hickory nuts were plentiful at seventy-five cents and $1 a barrel.—*Garden and Forest.*

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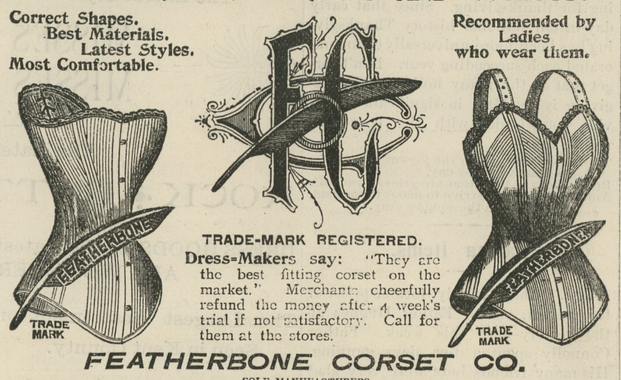

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Leave. A. M.		Arrive. P. M.
6.50	CHESTERTOWN	12.05
		A. M.
7.05	WORTON	11.50
7.10	LYNCH'S	11.45
7.15	HEPBRON	11.40
7.28	KENNEDYVILLE	11.27
7.41	BLACK'S	11.14
7.54	LAMBSON'S	11.01
8.08	MASSEYS	10.47
8.22	DELANEY'S	10.32
8.30	BINGHAM'S	10.25
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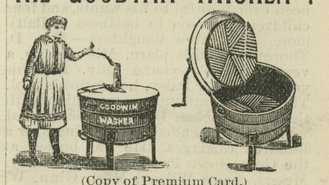

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