MY HALF SISTER

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CHAPTER V.—Continued.

"Oh, I know you think us the dirt beneath your feet," he moaned, his face [illegible]

[illegible]

So intent had the [illegible] conversation that [illegible] anxious to the [illegible] and the sound [illegible] turned quickly to [illegible] drive up, the [illegible] Henri [illegible] had gone [illegible]

[illegible]

What was [illegible] as with a flash [illegible] room. What [illegible] eyes spoke and [illegible] proved to [illegible] frightened [illegible] decline more [illegible] if he knew the [illegible] had given [illegible] that Mollie [illegible] matter [illegible] peared in [illegible] ing a little [illegible] thought looking [illegible] while Henri [illegible]

But nothing [illegible] ing to [illegible] as easily [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] and pulling [illegible]

"Let me go!" [illegible] "Have you not [illegible] you, for whom I [illegible] thing, you, whom I [illegible]

"There don't [illegible] the place?" he [illegible] heaven's sake, [illegible] yourself. What is [illegible] in a frenzy because an unfortunate event has happened in the [illegible] the servants say it is harmless? Come back, I say!" And the drawing room door closed again on their angry voices, without either having perceived Mollie's presence on the stairs above.

She went on to her room down the dimly lighted corridors, for machine was economical in lights in some instances. There was a feeling of unrest and mystery around in the house tonight more to be felt than described, which uncons[illegible] She wished she were [illegible] How long [illegible] her peaceful [illegible] been pounding [illegible] yet she would not [illegible] Unbolting [illegible] was no Reggie [illegible]

She took [illegible] ter, trying to [illegible] Easter day [illegible] day our Lord rose from the [illegible] warm old [illegible] was wrapped in [illegible] ness of her hair and her lovely face showed sweet and thoughtful in the gas light, but as she [illegible] it was with a sigh that she put her elbows on the toilet table and dropped her white chin into them.

All the evening her thoughts had been back with her mother, remembering her sorrows and sufferings and yet there kept running in her mind also the words she had just read "Love your enemies." Ah! how impossible it seemed; to how many more than poor little Mollie has it appeared too hard a precept to follow! How she struggled for it, asking help from above to forgive Leonard Barlowe and endeavor to live in peace with her relatives, returning good for evil.

A hasty rattling at the door handle Kate's voice exclaiming, tossed her and, running to open it the child almost fell against her, her slim little face colorless, her thin hands wrapped as if for dear life at the folds of her dressing gown.

"Let me stay with you dear dear Mollie!" she sobbed and sighed "I cannot—cannot stop alone. I should die!"

It was terrible to see the nervous excitement, the fear that shook the child from head to foot, and as Mollie caught her up she only remembered [illegible] to the world? They must [illegible] fate known more of Mr. Barlowe his past life and enemies, than any outsider could possibly do. Henri had hated his uncle, she knew, yet surely he had had no hand in sending him out of the world, that could not be the meaning of madame's wild [illegible] That he was cold-blooded and [illegible] to a degree about everything save himself was clear, but it was incredible that he could have committed such a crime undetected, besides, Kate said that he had been in London at the time.

She thinks the thought from her, and determined to try and think no evil, a good resolution put to a very [illegible] that [illegible] and that hard [illegible]

[illegible]

CHAPTER VI.

Who had killed Leonard Barlowe? For days Mollie pondered over the question, and another one that would keep coming back to her—had the Dubois any private knowledge that had [illegible]

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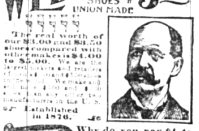

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