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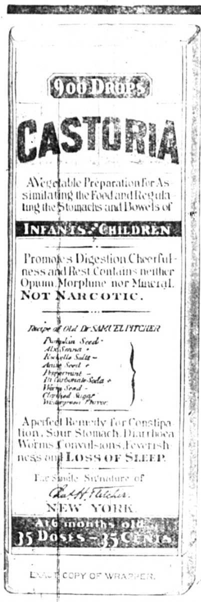

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CHAPTER IX.—(Continued.)

"So you have reached this point of success!" Maxwell continued, in his dry way. "Yes, my dear Will, it doesn't always answer to run one's head against a wall; this time the masonry remained firm. You have tangible proof of it, since your progress is impeded. You were raging up and down like a caged lion."

"Do you want to mock me even in this terrible situation?" cried Roland, impetuously. "You do not know how I was disarmed or what it is to meet with base treachery in the house where one seeks happiness and love."

"Didn't I warn you against this Edward, though I knew him only from your description? He was traveling when I called on the Harrisons with you, luckily. Had I had the honor of his personal acquaintance, the whole plan would have been impossible. I pass here for the eminently respectable Doctor Blackwood, and, as that worthy man have been received with the utmost courtesy. Were it known that instead of medicine I was engaged in the iron business at present, the courtesy would probably end promptly on both sides. I shall shoot this noble Mr. Harrison with the utmost composure if he takes it into [illegible]

wholly ruin the plantation or carry off the buildings; and, as soon as the war is over, you can assert your wife's claim."

"But, John, have you gone daft? Such a plan in the house where Edward rules and will summon all the servants to his aid the instant we appear. He did so just now, at the time of my arrest."

"Pshaw, the servants! They are only negroes, and not one will lift his hand against us as soon as we say we are officers in the Union army. The fellows are constantly coming in throngs to seek protection with us. You were not known to them, or else they were afraid of Captain Wilson and Harrison. The servants are not to be feared. I'll undertake to deal with the justice and his companion. So no one is left except your beloved future relative, and he must be made harmless."

"You mean that we are to attack him in his room?"

"No, that is too uncertain, and will create an unnecessary stir in the house. I have a better plan. As soon as you are at liberty, Ralph shall announce, apparently in great trepidation, that his young mistress has suddenly disappeared. He has [illegible]

"THE FILE HAD WORKED UNWEARIEDLY."

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betrayed me!"

"Hardly, for I have forbidden him to enter the sick chamber, and besides, he has a visitor—the magistrate from the city, who was summoned here for the wedding. They are in a hurry, it must be admitted. Mr. Harrison wished, under any circumstances, to become a Benedict today."

"The magistrate? So he has really come? I should like to wring his neck!"

"You will please refrain from that," said Maxwell, reprovingly. "Mr. Thompson is a good friend of mine, whom I hold in great esteem. It was he who originated the peerless idea of considering me Doctor Blackwood. I won't have his neck wrung on any account, and it would be very impractical on your part. A justice is an extremely important character. For instance, he is absolutely necessary at your wedding."

"My wedding?" repeated William, in amazement. "What do you mean?"

"Why, I think the best plan will be to wind up the business on the spot. You want to marry under any circumstances. The bride, the magistrate and the witnesses are all here, so I don't see what is to prevent you except this confounded iron grating, which I shall finally cut through. If Florence is your wife, you can take her with you to some place of security, then your amiable cousin can keep house here as he chooses. He can't

[illegible] was no more time to lose. But the consciousness of danger lent the young man unnatural strength. After a few unsuccessful efforts he again seized the grating and, with a last, violent struggle wrenched it from its fastenings. The opening was made; and, after a few anxious moments, Roland had forced his way through, and was standing in the corridor beside his friend.

"Here!" said the latter, laconically, handing him a revolver and grasping a second pistol himself. "Now I'll instruct Ralph."

William uttered a sigh of relief when he found himself free and felt the weapon in his hand.

"I thank you, John!" he cried enthusiastically after his retreating friend. "You are right. We two will rule the whole household."

"Yes, that is just to your taste!" returned Maxwell, tartly. "This time we really must run our heads against the wall, and if it happens to stand firmer than we expect, it will cost us our lives. You have arranged matters so that we have no choice. But keep quiet! Harrison may come at any moment; the fighting will begin, and—you will play the principal role again."

CHAPTER X.

Meanwhile the justice and his clerk were seated at a well-spread table in the dining-room, which also looked out upon the garden. Edward could not send the gentlemen, who had taken the long ride in vain, back to the city immediately; so he had invited them to dinner. Mr. Thompson could not find words enough to express his regret and sympathy for the sorrow overhanging the household, but he saw no reason why he should not have a comfortable meal on that acount. He thought it perfectly natural that Edward should excuse himself and remain in the drawing-room. No one could feel offended with the grief-stricken nephew, but he himself discussed all the more eagerly the good things set before him, and was ably supported by his clerk.

The old gentleman only regretted Doctor Blackwood's absence, and admired the sense of duty which would not permit him even to appear at dinner. He was just giving his factotum a discourse concerning this distinguished physician, at the same time helping himself to a large piece of roast meat. His factotum listened most dutifully and took a still larger slice, when the subject of the conversation suddenly entered.

"Ah, there you are, Doctor Blackwood!" cried the judge. "Sit down. Unfortunately you have come a little late. We have had the roast served."

The doctor bowed in the most charming manner, and signed to the servant who had just brought in the dishes, to leave the room.

"Thank you. I am very sorry to disturb you, but there is a business matter to be settled, which admits of no delay."

"A business affair? Is there a will to be made?"

"No, on the contrary, the matter concerns a wedding."

Mr. Thompson dropped his knife and fork and stared at the speaker in the utmost astonishment.

"The ceremony is put off. Mr. Harrison told me himself that he was compelled to defer it for the present."

"Certainly, and he will probably do so altogether, but another person has taken his place. Mr. William Roland."

"What? What did you call him?"

"William Roland. The circumstances have entirely changed, and unfortunately I have not time to explain them to you in detail. But in the name of the betrothed couple I beg of you to perform the wedding ceremony at once."

The magistrate leaned back in his chair, assuming a dignified attitude and a certain official manner.

(To be continued.)

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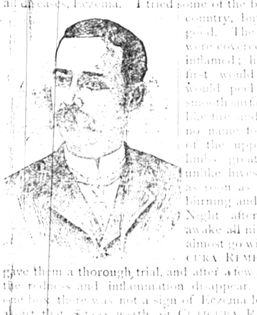

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