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THE DRUNKARD'S WARNING.

BY MAGGIA A. DOWLING.

Wretched mother, wife and children, And you comrades, too, old...

CHAPTER IV.

Stunned and bruised Abdallah lay for some time on the heap of rubbish...

AN ARABIAN NIGHTS TALE.

The Eventful and Wondrous Experience of Abdallah.

Charles Warren Stoddard writes to the San Francisco Chronicle an interesting story he heard while travelling down the Nile.

JASHESH EATERS.

Were sleeping their fatal sleep, We had six of them in our crew. And very shortly one of these slaves of sleep began muttering to the moon in a kind of sing-song...

CHAPTER I.

There was a king in Egypt who had three sons. About his palace was a royal garden, in a recessed corner of which stood a cypress tree beloved of the king.

CHAPTER II.

When it was evening the elder son went out into the apricot tree and bent his watchful eye among the branches. The fruit ripened, but while it was very still the watcher slept, and when he awoke at dawn all that was ripe had been plucked off the branches...

CHAPTER III.

The youngest son said to his brothers, "Let us capture the thief." He took with him his sword and a long cord and went out to the apricot tree; the ground was stained with blood and the three followed the bloody stains till they came to the mouth of a deep pit. The youngest son tied the rope about his waist and his brothers led him down into the pit, deeper and deeper until he came to a cave in the side of it.

A Revival Incident.

Simon Stringer was a bluff old farmer. He prided himself upon being a plain, matter-of-fact man, about whom there was no foolishness or sentiment.

THEN AND NOW.

BY ALEXANDER LAMONT.

Here is the same old mansion, And the summer sunlight gleaming On the gleam of the garden flowers.

HOARY-HEADED MISCREANT.

Within the Shadow of a Gable—A Scene of Blood and Horror.

A Mother's Suspicious Confession of the Terrible Murderer.

A dead silence reigned in the courtroom at Zanesville, Ohio, precisely at three o'clock on the morning of the 18th, when the jury in the case of the newly-arrived Simon Stoddard, for murder in the first degree, returned after an hour's deliberation.

THE PRAYER.

The prayer was prayed, and never was there a more attentive audience. This sort of thing continued about two weeks, and the Stringer family were kept in a state of extreme misery.

A WARNING TO BRIDESGROOMS.

That insignificant moment, the bridegroom is, of course, of no account what anybody during the wedding ceremony. Nobody looks at him, nobody thinks of him.

TO PERSONS ABOUT TO MARRY.

There is no rule which philosophers have laid down, either husbands or wives wisely that has very much effect for the young do not trust the old upon that subject, and choice, for women especially, is by no means so free as we are apt to believe.

CHAPTER VI.

When Abdallah had sought a cafe to regulate himself with the argyle and the red and white, he learned that his brother would wed a mysterious fair lady, and that the tournament would be more splendid than ever before known in the kingdom.

CHAPTER VII.

In a moment he made himself known to his royal father and his bride. He took as proof of his identity, and the marriage feast, instead of coming to an untimely close, was prolonged for seven days and seven nights, during which time wine flowed as water and all the luxuries of life were free.

THEY WERE SHOCKED BY SIMON STODDARD'S CONDUCT.

Why, who would have thought that the young man would turn out so bad? He promised so well; and now he won't work any more—he's just as good as dead.

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There was only one day when Simon Stoddard broke the even tenor of his disquieting life. Early one morning Mr. Middleton was thrown from his horse, and dangerously injured. Everybody sighed when the physicians said there was scarcely a chance for his recovery.

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