

The White Sepulchre

The Tale of Pelce
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CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued.)
"Still, I must leave nothing undone to-night. I want the years bright for you, and I must try once more. After all, the mother of my beloved can do no wrong."

"People might be safe away up there on the mountain," she said, fearfully, "but you must pass to and fro through the city."

Gently he turned her face from the hidden city. "Look under the splendid night," he whispered. "Feel the sting of the spray. Hear the bows sing! It's all for us, Lara, the glided track to the moon, the lavender of earth's distances—and the sky afterward! We can't leave this great thing hanging in the air, when the dawn comes up the Madame will be seven or eight miles off-shore. I'll take the launch into the harbor, and climb the mornie once more to the big plantation house, bring the edge of love and mias to the mother-bird whom I saw for all things good. If she will not come with me, I shall command Uncle Joey to take her to Fort de France."

"She was clinging to him and sobbing. 'After that,' she repeated. 'We must for Fort de France then,' he said, 'and Father Damien need spare us an hour from his labors. After that, beloved, you and I and the honeymoon—out on the sunny sea!'"

Just now Denney Macready appeared on the bridge.

"Lara, I want you to know this Denney," said Constable. "I found him in a stake-hole, and haven't been able to get rid of him since. He's my stewart at sea, my butler, my valet, and my friend anywhere. Denney, I'm going ashore at dawn."

"This crool 't' hear, s'orr," said Constable. "That point is pretty well covered, Denney. I want to see you in the morning, Miss Stansbury in your hands."

"Sh-sh—wait till I put on my gloves. 'How are your charges faring, Denney?' Constable asked.

"Is it 't' 't' like you, manne?" "Yes, the natives."

"If I only had some goats, s'orr." "Why goats?"

"Sure, I've been potherin' with lime water and sea water and water straight at 't' sugar ay milk—wain goats could do it all, an' better."

Macready went below, leaving a laugh on the bridge—which was no little thing. The Madame came in to the edge of the smoke. The gray ghost of morning was stealing into the harbor haze. The ship found anchorage. The launch was in readiness below. It was six in the morning. Pugh, the new third officer, was just leaving the bridge. Constable and Lara were standing at the door of his cabin.

"I know that you could do no greater thing than this for me," she told him; "but when a woman comes into her own—'I have—it is terrible to be left alone so soon. There are warnings in the wind, warnings in the silence, dangers in everything. It cannot be that I have found my son, my lover, only to lose you again. Oh, come back to me quickly, dear!"

"Three hours shall see us on our way to Fort de France," he answered blithely. "Trust me to hurry back to you. Pelce is still now. It may be that the pressure is eased."

"There, kiss me, and don't wait! The name of Pelce is horrible!" She moved with him to the ladder. "I thought I would be braver than this, Pierre Valleur!"

He whispered a last word and descended. Ernst had been relieved, and another sailor was in the launch, one for the preparations had been made in the dim hall. Constable was happy. He gave a kiss at the pale, mute face leaning over-side, and the fog rushed in between.

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Health and Beauty Hints.
A woman who spent much of the complexion at night is worth two in the morning.

A good cure for brittle nails is to soak them daily in sweet oil warmed to blood heat.

A tablespoonful of olive oil taken each day will aid the digestion and ease liver trouble.

The hair should be brushed thoroughly for about fifteen minutes every night before retiring.

Witch hazel is excellent for the eyes, but one should be sure the liquid is absolutely pure before using.

Honey is very nutritious and should be on the bill of fare of every person who wants to gain flesh.

Cold water closes the pores of the skin and makes it firm. A little vinegar or cologne added to the water also assists in the hardening.

If you have dark hair and it seems to be coming out, cut off a slice of lemon and rub it into your scalp; it will stop that trouble promptly.

Soft, flabby skins that fall into folds and pucker need cold water to give them tone. Thick, oily skin, however, should be washed with hot water.

The application of lemon juice will sometimes cause warts to disappear. Touch them several times during the day with a camel-hair brush soaked in the juice.

A healthful and refreshing mouth wash is made by boiling cinnamon bark in water and mixing it with equal parts of the purest alcohol. This is good both for the gums and teeth, and makes the breath more fragrant.

Often one sees a woman with dark brown rings below the eyes, also noticed over the face and frequently upon the forehead. This is due to intestinal trouble of a serious nature and only a reliable physician should prescribe for such when medicinal aid is needed.

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Opera hoods are shown in Paris made of ribbon. Clever fingers will soon be fashioning them here.

Long coats in the directorate modes with the empire waist effects have been chosen for the fastidious woman of good style.

Crowd embroidery is being used in Paris by the artists of dress for giving distinguished trimming touches to handsome costumes.

Ribbon ornaments for the hair are becoming a necessity. Match your gown with the rosette and band or braid to be twisted through the locks.

Dress skirts all show the influence of the sheath furor. The circular model will be the popular development. Skirts slashed on the side are numerous, the openings filled with plaits or trimmings of some kind.

Charming for wear with tailored suits are waists of dyed nets in colors to match the suit. They are tucked and have the new long, tucked sleeves and just a touch of soft, rich color in the way of Persian bands for trimming.

Revers and sleeve cuffs to suits are unlined. Revers often fall quite limp, forming folds. Basques of jackets are weighted so that they will stay down without looking stiff. Hems of skirts are lined with heavy but quite limp linen.

High-boned collars are seen on dresses and waists. Striped coats, even evening wraps, all have high collars. Everything has a collar, some even approaching the old-time "choke."

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