

Thursday, January 11, 1872.

THE STONE VAULT.

At twenty he was one of the best clerks in our establishment, besides being as fine a looking young fellow as one would wish to see. On the whole, he was not a bad fellow. Miss Lucy took a fancy to him—a sister, sir, of one of the young fellows at our place, and a girl that looked like a queen, and was as good as she was handsome.

I used to meet him walking on the battery where lovers used to walk in those days. He was so fond and proud of her, and she had such a tender way of looking that they made my old heart young again, as I often told Mrs. Humphries, to whom I confide everything. And how he revered her; why a ribbon or a faded flower she had worn was cherished by him as a miser cherishes his gold.

At last he told me in confidence—for her name was sacred and not to be spoken of before every one—that they were to be married.

"And when I look back, sir," said he, "and remember the miserable years of my wretched childhood, and think how friendly and forlorn I was, and how there was nothing before me but the prison or the gallows, and think that now I have everything to make a man's life blessed—the power to win a respectable livelihood by reputable labor, the respect of honest men, and the love of such a girl as Lucy—I can never be too grateful to the kind friend who saved me from a life I dare not contemplate."

"God bless Mr. Grinby!" said he, lifting his hat reverently as he might in church, and there was a prayer in his dark eyes as he looked inward. These are the last words I ever heard him speak, except "Good night." Ah, dear sir, it should have been goodbye. Two minutes after I went one way and he the other. I took my way home, and he, as it seemed afterward, walked just two blocks and came back here. At twelve o'clock that night I awoke Mrs. Humphries.

"My dear," said I, "I must have had the nightmare or something."

"Goodness," said she, "it seems so. Your hands are like ice. What gave it to you? The lobster, I'll be bound."

"Perhaps," said I, "I admit I ate a hearty supper. And nothing else could make me fancy young Wade at my bedside, white as a ghost with both hands on my breast."

"Ah, but the nightmare is always black, not white," said my wife. And then she went to a cupboard and brought me a glass of wine. After that, I went to sleep again.

I did not rise early, and was quite behind my usual time. But when I reached our place I found it in a great commotion, clerks running hither and thither, the heads of the firm standing about in the most unbusiness-like manner, and three constables on the premises.

"What is the matter, sir?" said he. "We've been very heavily robbed."

"I fancy that it couldn't happen here," said I. "I really believe it would be impossible for burglars to break into Morris, Grinby & Son's, sir."

"Ah," said he, "they did not break in. The door had been quietly opened from the inside."

"And I believe," began Mr. Morris. "Sir," cried young Mr. Grinby, out of breath, "I beg, as a gentleman, as a man of principle, you will not give utterance to your unfounded suspicion—totally unfounded and unworthy of you."

"Prove them so, sir," said Mr. Morris, coolly, "and I'll apologize."

I looked an inquiry. "Don't ask explanations, I beg, Mr. Humphries," said Mr. Grinby. Something has been said, which the speaker will regret. "Ah, there comes my messenger."

"Well, Tom?" said Mr. Grinby. "Mr. Wade ain't been home all night, sir," said Tom.

"I told you so," said Mr. Morris. "And I tell you even yet I will not hear my dear friend's—yes, my very dear friend's—character aspersed," said young Grinby. "Humphries, I know you love Ben Wade like I do. Fancy imagining him connected with this robbery! As well suspect my father, or myself, or you."

"He's missing," said Mr. Morris, shutting the office door upon us three. He was seen to return early in the evening. He was one of a gang of house-breakers when we took him in, and many declare the character to be formed at six years old. He was a nice, I believe he has been won back to his old ways."

"You will not express your belief to others," said Mr. Grinby. "Not at all, most certainly," said Mr. Morris.

Well, sir, that was a bitter day to me, a bitter day. We could learn nothing of young Wade the previous night. Then several had seen him. He had taken tea at a little coffee-house, as he sometimes did when he did not intend to return home until quite late, and had said to some one there, "I must go back to the office; I have forgotten something."

Half an hour afterward, Mike, the porter, had passed him in the streets, and young Wade had said: "What's the time, Mike?" The porter told him. "I shall be too late," he said. "I have an engagement, and I must go back to our place for a parcel I've forgotten."

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