Telored MI- 'or Insisted Egyptians Broke Through Ice After Children of Israel Had Crossed.

There is a story of an old colored minister, which I'am fond of telling, that illustrates what I mean. The old fellow was trying to explain to a Sunday school class how it was and why it was that Pharoah and his party were drowned when they were trying to cross the Red sea, and how it was and why it was that the Children of Israel crossed over dry shod. The old minister explained it in this wise:

"When the first party came along it was early in the morning and the ice was hard and thick, and the first party had no trouble crossing over on the ice, but when Pharonh and his party came along it was 12 o'clock in the O' day and the sun was shining hot on the ice, and when they got on the ice it broke, and they went in and were drowned.

Now, there happened to be in this class a young colored man who had had considerable schooling, and this young fellow turned to the old ministetr and said:

"Now, Mr. Minister, I do not under stand that kind of explanation. I have been going to school and have been studying all these conditions, and my geography teaches me that ice does in the eyes behind the goggles? not freeze within a certain distance of the equator."

The old minister replied: "Now, I'se been expecting something just like this. There's always some fellow ready to spile all the theology. The time I'se talkin' about was before they had jogerphies or 'quators either."

Now, this old man, in his plain and simple way was trying to brush aside rock. So it was with me .- Booker T. zine.

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Depends on Crops. The financial barometer rises of his purpose so to masquerade?

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Never an Overproduction. So long as there are thousands of charitable aid, there can be no over himself to deal with her as he might production of foods. In every large with-well, Anisty himself? She was city there is an enormous sumption not only of foods but of other necessities that are having a assume that expert's identity for the serious effect upon the best develop nonce—he would be placed at once on ment of cities.

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SYNOPSIS.

"Mad" Dan Maitland, on reaching his New Yerk bachelor club, met an attractive young woman at the door. Janitor D'Hagan assured him no one had been within that day. Dan discovered a woman's finger prints in dust on his desk, along with a letter from his attorney. Maitland dined with Bannerman, his attorney. Dan set out for Greenfields, to get his family jewels. During his walk to the country seat, he met the young woman in gray, whom he had seen leaving his bachelors' club. Her auto had broken down. He fixed it. By a ruse she "lost" him. Maitland, on reaching home, surprised lady in gray, cracking the safe containing his gems. She, apparently, took him for a well-known crook, Daniel Anisty.

CHAPTER III .- Continued.

Did he catch a gleam of admiration

"Now, if ever they get hold of my portrait and print . . . Well!" sighed the girl wickedly, lifting slim, bare fingers in affected concern to the mass of ruddy hair, "in that event I suppose I shall have to become a natural blonde!"

Her humor, her splendid fearlessness, the lightness of her tone, combined with the half-laughing, half-seall artificiality and to get down to bed. rious look that she swept up at him, to ease the tension of his emotions. For Washington, in World's Work Maga the first time since entering the room, he smiled; then in silence for a time regarded her'steadfastly, thinking.

So he resembled this burglar, Anisty, strongly enough to be mistaken for him-eh? Plainly enough the girl believed him to be Anisty. . . . Well, and why not? Why shouldn't he be Anisty for the time being, if it suited

It might possibly suit his purpose. He thought his position one uncommonly difficult. As Maitland, he had on his hands a female thief, a hardened charterms!), caught red-handed; as Maittain preference or advantage over at land, his duty was to hand her over she was. Yet, even while these considerations were urging themselves upon him, he knew his eyes appraised her with open admiration and interest. She poorly nourished and underfed men, stood before him, slight, delicate, pretwomen and children in every large ty, appealing in her ingenuous candor; city, many of whom are sustained by and at his mercy. How could he bring

a gentlema As Anisty, however-if he chose to a plane of equality with the girl; from a fellow of her craft she could hardly refuse attentions. As Anisty, he would put himself in a position to earn her friendship, to gain-perhaps-her confidence, to learn something of her necessities, to aid and protect her from the consequences of her misdeeds; possibly-to sum up-to divert her hazardous and more honorable.

Worthy ambition-to reform a bur ng concerns in the confederation, the giar! Maitland regained something of tomestic consumption of milk, butter his lost self-esteem, applauding himand cheese and the manufacture of self for entertaining a motive so theese for export engage the attention laudable. And he chose his course, for better or worse, in these few seconds. Thereby proving his incontestable title to the name and repute of Mad Maitland.

His face lightened; his manner changed; he assumed with avidity the role for which she had cast him and which he stood so ready to accept and

"Well and good," he conceded with an air. "I suppose I may as well own up-"

"Oh, I know you," she assured him. with a little, confident shake of her head. "There's no deceiving me. But," and her smile became rueful, "if only you'd waited ten minutes more! Of course I recognized you from the first -down there by the river; and knew very well what was your-lav: you | the pame. gave yourself away completely by mentioning the distance from the river to the Manor. And I did so want to a side and-and laugh." get ahead of you on this job! What a feather in one's cap, to have fore-But stalled Dan Anisty! with those lights? You seem to forget that there are servants in the house. Really, you know, I find you most ro-

mantically audacious, Mr. Anistyquite in keeping with your reputation. "You overwhelm me," he murmured. "Believe me, I have little conceit in my fame, such as it is." And, crossing to the windows, he loosed the heavy velvet hangings and let them fall together, drawing their edges close so that no ray of light might escape.

She watched him with interest. "You seem well acquainted here." "Of course. Any man of imagination is at pains to study every house he enters. I have a map of the premises-house and grounds-here." He indicated his forehead with a long

torefinger. "Quite right, too and worth one's while. If rumor is to be believed, you have ordinarily more than your labor for your pains. You have taught me something already. . . . Ah, well!" she sighed, "I suppose I may as well acknowledge my inferiority—as neophyte to hierophant. Master!" She courtested low. "I beg you proceed and let thy cheela profit through observation!" And a small white hand gestured signficantly toward the collection of burglar's tools-drills and



And a Small White Hand Gestured Significantly Toward the Collection of Burglar's Tools.

chisels, skeleton keys, putty, and all--neatly displayed upon the rug before with magnificent gravity. the massive safe. . "You mean that

crack this safe for you?" he inquired, with inward consternation.

"Not for me. Disappointment I admit is mine; but not for the loss I susam content to stand humbly to one side, as befits one of my lowly state in -in the ranks of our profession. I resign, I abdicate in your favor; claiming nothing by right of priority."

"You are too generous," he mumbled, confused by her thinly veiled rid-

"Not at all," she replied briskly. am entirely serious. My loss of today will prove my gain to-morrow. I look for incalculable benefit through study of your methods. My own, I confess," with a contemptuous toss of her head toward the burglar's kit, "are clumsy, antiquated, out of date. . . But then, I'm only an ama-

"Oh, but a woman-" he began to apologize on her behalf.

"Oh, but a woman!" she rapped out, smartly. "I wish you to understand that this woman, at least, is no mean-" And she hesitated. "Thief?" he supplied, crudely.

"Yes, thief! We're two of a feather, at that."

"True enough. But were first in the field; I fail to see why I should reap any reward for tardiness. The spoils must be yours."

It was a test; Maitland watched her keenly, fascinated by the subtlety of

out I refuse, Mr. Anisty-positively efuse to go to work while you stand

Pride! He stared, openly amazed, at this bewilderingly feminine bundle of inconsistencies. With each facet of hadn't you better be a little careful her character discovered to him, minute by minute, the study of her became to him the more engrossing. He drew nearer, eyes speculative.

> "I will agree," he said, slowly, "to crack the safe, but upon conditions." She drew back imperceptibly, amused, but asserting her dignity. 'Yes?" she led him on, though in no

accent of encouragement. "Back there, in the river," drawled deliberately, forcing the pace, 'I found you-beautiful."

She flushed, lip curling. "And, back there, in the river, I thought you-a gentleman!"

"Although 'a burglar?" "A gentleman for all that!"

"I promise you I mean no harm," he prefaced. "But don't you see how I am putting myself in your power? Every moment you know me better, while I have not yet even looked into your face with the light full upon it. Honor among thieves, little woman!" She chose to ignore the intimate note in his voice. "You're wasting

time," she hinted, crisply. "I am aware of that fact. Permit me to remind you that you are helping me to waste it. I will not go ahead until I have seen your face. It is simply an ordinary precaution." "Oh, if it's a matter of business-

"Self-preservation," he corrected,

She hesitated but a moment longer, then with a quick gesture removed her mask. Maitland's breath came fast as he bent forward, peering into her face; though he schooled his own features to an expression of intent and tain. In the presence of the master I inoffensive studiousness, he feared the loud thumping of his heart would betray him. As he looked it became evident that the witchery of moonlight had not served to exaggerate the sensitive, the almost miniature, beauty of her. If anything, its charm was greater there in the full glare of the electric chandeller, as she faced him. giving him glance for glance, quite undismayed by the intentness of his scrutiny.

In the clear light her eyes shone lustrous, pools of tawny flame; her hair showed itself of a rich and luminous coppery hue, spun to immeasurable fineness; a faint color burned in her cheeks, but in contrast her forehead was as snow-the pure, white, close-grained skin that is the heritage of red-headed women the world over, and their chiefest charm as well; while her lips-

As for her lips, the most coherent statement to be extracted from Mr. Maitland is to the effect that they were altogether desirable, from the very first.

The hauteur of her pose, the sym pathy and laughter that lurked in her mouth, the manifest breeding in the delicate modeling of her nostrils, and the firm, straight arch of her nose, the astonishing allurement of her eyes, combined with their spirited womanliness-these, while they completed the conquest of the young man, abashed him. He found himself of a sudden endowed with a painful appreciation of his own imperfections, the littleness of his ego, the inherent coarseness of his masculine fiber, the poor futility of his ways, contrasted with her perfections. He felt as if rebuked for some unwarrantable presumption. . . For he had looked into eyes that were windows of a soul; and the soul was that of a child, unsullied and immaculate.

You may smile; but as for Maitland. he deemed it no laughing matter. From that moment his perception was clear that, whatever she might claim to be however damning the circumstances in which she appeared to him, there sarily. was no evil in her.

But what he did not know, and did not even guess, was that, from the same instant, his being was in bondage to her will. So Love comes, strangely masked.

CHAPTER IV.

Midsummer Night's Madness. At length, awed and not a little shamefaced, "I beg your pardon," he stammered, wretchedly. "For what?" she demanded, quickly,

head up and eyes alight. "For insisting. It wasn't-ah-

courteous. I'm sorry."

It was her turn now to wonder delicacy of perception such as this an emotion stronger than he-moist was not ordinarily looked for in the clay upon the potter's whirling wheel person of a burgiar. With a laugh and

a gibe she tried to pass off her asto,

"The thief apologizes to the thief

Briefly hesitant, with an impulsive

"You're right; I was unkind. For-

. . I do want to be a good com-

rade, since it has pleased Fate to

throw us together like this, so-so

oddly." Her tone was almost plain-

tive; unquestionably it was appealing.

the touch of the slim, cool fingers that

lay in his palm. Not unpleasantly. He

frowned in perplexity, unable to ana-

"Why do you do this, little woman?

Why do you stoop to this-this trade

-and not only your hands-imperil

your good name, to say nothing of your

She drew her hand away quickly, in-

terrupting him with a laugh that rang

true as a coin new from the mint, hon-

"And this," she cried, "this from

Dan Anisty! Positively, sir, you are

delightful! You grow more danger-

ously original every minute! Your

scruples, your consideration, your sym-

pathy-they are touching-in you!"

She wagged her head daintily in pre-

tense of disapprobation. "But shall

I tell you?" more seriously, doubtfully.

"I think I shall , . . truly. I do

this sort of thing, since you must

of yo-of ours? Why sully your hands

"You're not angry?" she asked.

Maitland was curiously moved by

gesture she flung out a generous hand,

Ishment.

"Unkind!"

lyze the sensation.

"Yes?"

liberty-?"

est and genuine.

too. Besides-"

"Besides--?"

shall I-?"

importunities.

drooped ever so slightly.

by the safe.

must be the profits."

countryside, if you will."

He shook his head.

"A partnership?"

Dan Anisty and I!"

I'm not worthy the honor."

"Will you accept my aid?"

"Ah but-"

Halvers?"

was firm.

-ah-lays.

"Not at all," she interposed. "I in-

"Then I wash my hands of the whole

sist. The job is now yours; yours

affair," he stated in accents of finality.

'I refuse. I shall go, and you can do

as you will-blunder on," scornfully,

with your nitroglycerin, your rags,

"On condi...ns, only," she stipulated.

"Half shares, or not at all!" She

This educed a moue of doubt, with

"But," he promised rashly, "I can

save you-oh, heaps of trouble in other

She shrugged helplesely. "If I must

then I do accept. We are partners,

He nodded mute satisfaction, brushed

attentive ear to the combination.

with the total extinction of light.

Startled, "Why-?" he demanded.

been frightfully careless and thought-

Helplessly Maitland twirled the com-

bination dial; without the light he was

ing to listen to the fall of the tum-

The room grew very silent, save for

the faintly regular respiration of the

girl who bent near his shoulder. Her

breath was fragrant upon his cheek.

The consciousness of her propinquity

almost stifled him. . . One fears

that Maitland prolonged the counter-

feit study of the combination unneces-

plauded, whispering, as the heavy door

to be merely testing the girl; subcon-

sciously he was plastic in the grip of

(TO BE CONTINUED)

swung outward without a jar.

"Hush!" he cautioned her.

"Wonderful!" she ap-

letters and figures upon it.

solved it.

and drills and-and rouse the entire

"No-but-but-"



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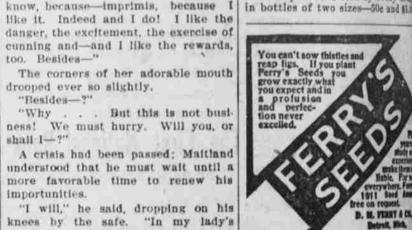
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