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CHAPTER XVII PALMER AT WORK "Some feelings are to mortals given, With less of earth in them than heaven, And if there be a human tear From passion's dross refined and clear, A tear so limpid and so meek, It would not stain an augel's cheek

Tis that which pious fathers shed

Upon a duteous daughter's head."

True to his word, Palmer made his appearance at Sunnyside on the morning following his interview with Mrs. Marvin in Marthon's Grove. Claudine received him, and after spending an hour he went away, car rving with him a very cordial invitation from that young lady to call again. A few days later he made a second visit. Claudine was out and Violet was in Mrs. Marvin's room as sisting her with some fancy needle-

"How very annoying!" Mrs. Marvin exclaimed, when Caroline brought purity, strength and wholesomeness. More conomical than the erdinary kinds, and I do not know who is to meet cannot be sold in competition with the multude of low test, short weight alum or phosphate powders. Sold only in cans.
ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., 106 Wall St., sweet face of the young girl, who glanced up, saying with a merry

'I fear, mamma, Mr Palmer would not feel very highily flattered if he were to hear you. But certainly I will meet him and do my very best to entertain him until Claudine returns, and then you will please send her in, as I wish to write some letters joy, and sinking back among the ICES TO THE PEOPLE OF WADESBORO to my old schoolmates this morning. Thank you, love, it will be quite a relief to me if you will entertain him for a little while, and I will send

> she returns. Violet arose with a bright smile. and laying aside her work prepared to go down. Innocent child! she little ing sn.ile. suspected how wicked hearts were plotting to destroy her peace, and what a sorrowful future was await-

Claudine to the parlor the moment

ing for her. When she entered the parlor, Palmer arose and came forward to meet her with outstretched hands.

'What an age it has been since I saw you last! he exclaimed. 'And how well, how charming you look! 'I fear you are trying to flatter me.

dare not flatter,' he said, allowing his eyes to fall that he might not encounter her pure, earnest gaze. 'I trust you would not flatter any

one,' she answered gently. With you for my sweet teacher would not,' was the low reply. Violet drew her hand from his clasp, saying with a touch of coldness

in her face and voice: 'Mr. Palmer, I cannot listen to you. 'But you must! Miss Marvin, you must be my teacher, my gentie

guide. A deep flush rose to the young girl's delicate cheek, and rising to her leet.

she said with quiet dignity: Mr. Palmer, I am surprised that you can so far forget your manhood -your sense of honor, but since you throw this troublesome fellow in my have, I beg that you will excuse me, cannot listen to you.

Palmer sprang up with a look well feigned astonishment. 'Good heavens! is it possible that I am misunderstood? You must think me the veriest villain that ever

breathed! Pray be seated, Miss Mar vin, and allow me the privilege of Well? she questioned, returning to

the sofa, while Palmer seated him- a moment; 'I have the promise of self by her side, and went on in a Miss Marvin's friendship for the fut softly modulated voice:

'You thought Miss Marvin, that I endeavored to win the promised bride of another, but such was not my intention-my deep sense of honor would never allow me to be guilty of such an act. When I asked you to be my guide and teacher, my mean ing was, that since you could not be

'Oh!' she said, a great look of relief coming over her face. 'You will accept me for a brother sister, Miss Marvin, no near relative. I stand all alone in the world, and with you for a gentle friend and

guide I would be in a measure happy and content.' 'I will be your friend, Mr. Palmer,

but I fear I will make a poor guide,' she said softly. 'You will make one of the best and truest Heaven could have given | if not her living face." me, and now that you have made the

dear valued promise-'My hope, my heaven, my trust must be. he quoted softly, as he raised her hand to his lips.

There was a slight noise at the door and both looking up, saw St. Orme who had entered unannounced, an i was standing in the doorway pale and stern.

'Orme!' Violet cried, a soft, rich color staining her cheeks. Good-morning, Mr. St. Orme, Palmer said, in his blandest tone.

St. Orme turned from him with quiet scorn, saying freezingly; 'Miss Marvin, can I see you alone?' 'Yes, in the front parlor. Excuse me a moment, Mr. Palmer

Rising as she spoke, she led the way, followed by Orme, whose face was white with suppressed passion. Entering the room, she pointed him to a chair, but he refused to accept it 'I shall not detain you long, Miss Marvin, from your agreeable compa ny, therefore will stand while I re-

There was a stern, passionate ring in his voice, and the young girl grew pale and caught her breath. Orme, what do you mean? she fal-

Oh, what a show of innocence! he rried, as the color fled from her face Violet! Violet! why in heaven's name have you deceived me?"

'I never deceived any one in my ife, she said, and the quiet gentle ness of her voice arrested for a moment the storm of words upon his lips, then he broke out again: Never deceived! Why I saw Palin

er raise your hand to his loss. Violet Violet! I did not expect this of you! Her lips quivered, and a storm of ears darkened her eyes, as she said Orme, is this your confidence in

me? If so, the relation between us had best end at once. So far as Mr Palmer is concerned he had only asked that I would be his friend and sister, and I had promised him thatnothing more-That was all St. Orme heard. The next moment he ad the girl in the

strong shelter of his arms, and was saying with proud penitence: \* My love! my dear one, fergive my mad, unreasonable jealousy! I love you so dearly, Violet, you are my life, my light, and when I saw Palmer lift your dear hand to his lips, ! thought at once that I was deceived, that you were false to me, Violet.'

And you made mesuffer so, Orme? But you will forgive me, my dear one, for the sake of the great love I bear you. There is little I would not for give you,' she said softly, and again

there was perfect peace between them. We will now return to Palmer. As St Orme and Violet quitted the room his pale eyes glowed with wicked cubsions of the sofa, he muttered:

'What a lucky thing! Fortune will favor me yet.' A side door opened as he spoke, and Mrs. Marvin glided in with her accustomed cat like tread. 'You have been singularly favored

this morning,' she said with a mean-'Nothing could have been more opportune. St. Orme is furiously the page and kissed it, and, closing legious.

A low, purring laugh dropped from Mrs Marvin's lips. 'I fear only one thing now.'

'What is that?' We were eaveddropped yesterday

By whom? 'A man who threatens to expose If we could get him in close confinement we would have nothing farther to fear.

'I think so, if there is any place in which to confine him 'I can furnish a prison,' Palmer said, after a brief silence. 'Well?' she breathed, b nding for

But is such a thing possible?'

ward, and fixing her eyes on his sinister face. 'I will take the fellow into custody if you will manage so that I can get my hands on him. There is a subteranean passage connected with Hermit's Rest, and this passage leads to the chosen people of God. to an apartment the walls of which are of solid stone, and so compactly built that it is within itself a living tomb. It is not known to any one except my self, and I only discovered it a month ago. Now, if you can

chamber he will be as completely burned as if the earth had opened and swallowed him up Mrs. Marvin's dark face flushed, and gleamed and glowed, as sue said

way, and I can get him into this

emphatically: 'In less than a week he shall go to his living tomb! Very well, I will hold myself in readines,' Palmer said, adding after

'You nave? 'Yes.

'Then all will be well.' 'I trust so,' Palmer replied, rising to take his leave. As he was saying

his adieu, a dark form rose from the door outside and glided away. An hour later, Violet having taken nearer, I desired you to be my friend leave of her lover, tapped at the library door, calling softly: Papa, may I come in?

'Certainly you may,' he said, throwing his paper aside and holding and friend, will you not? I have no out his hands. 'Come!' he added. drawing her in a close embrace. 'My Violet's Violet, he said, fond ly kissing the tender mouth, and

passing his hand caressingly over the shining waves of her bright hair. 'It is quite strange, papa, dear, the girl said,' I never saw my mother, and yet there are times when my heart almost aches to see her dead,

'It is indeed an odd desire, my darling, and one that can never be realized for the lovely form and the perfect features have long since crumbled to dust,' he said sadly.

Violet, have you returned to your infantile days?' cried Claudine. She was standing in the doorway. her sunshade in her hand, and a con temptuous sneer upon her haughty

Violet started up from her father's

bosom with a light laugh, and Mr. Marvin glanced around, saying: Though seventeen Violet has nev days, Claudine, and I am necessarily compelled to do a certain amount

of petting; else she would droop and

fade like a neglected flower. fair hand over his mouth, while her ed, and her health improved greatly."

Leves sparkied merrily and the rowy Jas. L. Bosworth, Atlanta, Ga., writes: eyes sparkled merrily, and the rosy dimples hid in her del cate cheek . I had no appetite, my digestion was uined At that moment there was a pecuhar noise at the door, and Mr. Marvin glancing around gave vent to an exclamation, as his eye took in the B. a trial, and, surprising as it may seem, the outline of the queer apparition fram- use of five bottles cured me.

ed in the doorway. It was the form of a tall, dark man, enveloped in a soiled scarlet Tom while trapping in Dakota a few

The Romance of a Rare Book.

In the Congressional library at page, the beauty of their transcrip- er than a walking-stick, have the ap

Five years were exhausted in this struck, of stone or metal. toilsome work, and the result was a This new comer for dime museum production unequaled in the hundi fame is Lucian Norval Monroe, who craft of art, and unexcelled in all the was born a slave in Virginia in 1847. works of literature. The book has At eight years of age his left leg beits own keeping; within a glass re- gan to ossify and two years later the than another ventures to lift the lid and arm became solely bone. The of the case, it is only to find that ev- next year his left arm was affected ery page is spotless and every letter and in 1867 his neck "set," as he ex

A beautiful legend is connected in the fifteenth century, one who had immured himself in monastic life for | genial and sunny temperament. He himself to have committed, sought and has, he says, come to this city propitiate the divine favor.

Five years of patient, unremitting toil were given to the task. Day dawn and night darkness found him ever and devotedly at his work, until at last the final page was written. the last word inscribed. He lifted the leaves, turned from his labors for rest. The day was passing into dark ness when he lay down to sleep. It was the peaceful repose of the weary and heavy ladened; his spirit was as was this magnificent transcription, it was not all that was needed to secure the divine acceptance. An easier path is opened to us, the whis perings of infinite love come falling upon our hearts, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." The narrow way is open, the pearly gates of heaven are ajar, and we who will enter in, assured of the joys and rewards which are promised hereafter

She Was Not Dead. Atlanta American body and took a negative. After in two. Always learn to be brief. specting it he was not satisfied that the exposure had been sufficient, and North Carolina and Her Resources. he took another. And then, to his Detroit Free Press. amazement, he discovered that the two negatives were not alike, The body must have moved. Not having lost all his nerve by this extraordinary occurre ice, he took a third negative, which was exactly like the second. He instantly summoned the nurse who had been in attendance on the deceased girl, and after some difficulty and delay had the docter fetched. To cut a long story short, the young lady was not dead at all.

# Tuis is a true story.

"My Smoke-House." Youth's Companion. A man who lives in Albany, and whose business is that of clerk, said that he had lately built a house that cost him three thousand dollars. His friends expressed their wonder

dwelling. "Why, said he, "that is my smoke-house. "Your smoke house! What do you mean? "I mean that twenty years ago I left off smoking and I have put the

money saved from smoke, with iuterest, into my house. So I call it my smoke house." Pimples, Sores, Aches and Pains. When a hundred bottles of sarsparilla or ther pretentious specific fail to eradicate in-born scrofula or contagious blood poison, remember that B. B. B. (Botanic Blood Balm) has gained many thousand victories,

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writes: "A lady friend of mine was troubled with bumps and pimples on her face and neck. Oh, papa!' she cried, putting her skinget soft and smooth, pimples disappear hardly walk, my throat was cauterized five times. Hot Springs gave me no benefit, and my life was one of torture until I gave is. B.

M. A. Williams and his brother cloak reaching almost to his feet. A days ago were attacked by a crowd What did the scene in the parlor long black hair wildly disheveled Tom was killed and his brother, who train for Montreal." mean? he demanded, as he caught and falling low upon us gaunt shoul is an old Indian fighter, peppered away her slender hands in a vice-like grasp.
The scene in the parlor! What burning, roved about the room until the parlor! What burning, roved about the room until the parlor! The scene in the parlor! What burning the parlor is a long experience come to the conclusion.

How Doctors Conquer Death.

Doctor Walter K. Hammond says: "After a long experience come to the conclusion." scene? I do not understand. - Oh, they rested upon Violet, then he the ground. The other five started to son that two-thirds of all deaths from Scene? I do not understand.—Oh, Orme! you hurt my hands,' her sweet lips quivering with pain.

He dropped them with a harsh lanch.

Yould I could hurt your heart!

See the ground of the ground. The other five started to run away and Williams picked up a double-barreled gun and fired a charge of buckshot into the party, killing another. He then buried his brother and went to Fort Stevenson.

The ground of all deaths from coughs, pneumonia and consumption, might be avoided if Dr. Acker's English Remedy for consumption was only carefully used in thin." This wonderful Remedy is sold in death of the ground. The other five started to run away and Williams picked up a double-barreled gun and fired a charge of buckshot into the party, killing another. He then buried his brother and went to Fort Stevenson.

Only His Head is Alive.

N. Y. World. The most remarkable guest who Washington there is one book which, ever arrived unannounced at the Inamid the myriad tones of bibliothecal | ternational hotel, on Park Row, lore that adorn the walls of the cele- reached that house at an early hour brated gathering, commands and re- yesterday morning. The proprietor ceives the attention and admiration | didn't know just what was coming, of those who pass through its spacious when a powerful colored man asatsles. It is a Bible. To describe it cended the stairs with what appeared literally, it is of size about fifteen by to be a huge baby in his arms. As twelve inches; its leaves are of parch | the covering was removed from the ment, and on every page are written supposed infant, Chief Clerk Quick two columns of sacred truth. At the nearly fainted, for under the blanket head of every page, as well as the be | was seen the head of a middle-aged ginning of every chapter, the initial negro. The chin and upper lip were is beautifully expressed by a large covered with a heavy growth of letter in colored inks, and within its hair, and the face of the strange buncompass is portrayed some figure or | die was really an attractive one. Be character illustrative of the chapter low the neck all that is left of the which follows. Not a stain or erasure | body of this strange individual would is seen upon a single page; amid the not measure three feet in length, and long record of Bible truth the words with the exception, presumably, of of Jehovah and the teachings of the organs which keep him alive, the Jesus seem more strikingly grand man is completely ossified. His legs and beautiful from the purity of the and arms, which are not much larg-

ceptacle its pages lie open for inspec- strange disease took possession of his tion, and when one more curious right foot. In 1862 his right hand presses it, and since that time he has been powerless to move and has felt with this book; that long years ago, no pain. He has a good appetite and appears to be a person of a most certain great sins which he thought has never been on public exhibition by prayers and this system of penance to give the medical profession a chance to study his strange case.

### Weather Signs.

Wilmington Star. Says a weather observer: When you wish to know what the weather is going to be, go out and select the smallest cloud you see Keep your eyes on it and if it decreases and disappears it shows a state of the air that is sure to be followed by fine weather; but if it increases take your exhaled, and the morning brought overcoat with you if you are going no awakening. The silver cord was away from home, for falling weather loosed, the golden bowl was broken, is not far off. The reason is that when and in the golden streets of that new the air is becoming charged with and better 'life wherein dwelleth electricity you will see every cloud righteousness," he was forever at attracting all lesser ones towards it peace. Beautiful, grandly beautiful, until it gathers into a shower, and on the contrary when the fluid is passing off or diffusing itself, then a large cloud will be seen breaking into pieces and dissolving.

## Brevtty.

Learn to be brief. Long visits, long stories, long exhortations, and long prayers seldom profit those who have to do with them. Life is short. lime is short. Moments are precious. Learn to condense, abridge, and in tensify. We can endure many an ache and ill if it is soon over, while even pleasures grow insipid, and pain In London recently a well known intolerable, if they are protracted artist of the camera was called in to beyond the limits, of reason and con photograph the body of a young lady | venience. Learn to be brief. Lop who had just died under pecunar off branches; stick to the main fact and distressing circumstances. The in your case. If you pray, ask for body was laid on a sofa in the draw- what you would receive, and get ing room and presented a singularly through; if you speak, tell your mesbeautiful spectacle. The photograph sage, and held your peace; boil down er was left alone in the room with the two words into one, and three into

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Prison Missionary-"What are you in for, frend?" Convict (bitterly)-"Just for missing a train." "Nonweird looking object he was with his of fifteen Indians. At the first fire sense," 'No nonsense, sir I missed a pain. He has been run over by a

Literal Answers. A lady noticed a boy sprinkling salt on the sidewalk to take off the ice, and remarked to a friend, pointing to the salt,

'Now, that's benevolence.' 'No it ain't, said the boy, somewhat indignant, 'it's salt. So when a lady asked her servent if

the hired man cleaned off the snow with alacaity, she replied: No, ma'am, he used a shovel The same literary turn of mind which we have been illustrating is sometimes used intentionally, and perhaps a little maliciously, and thus comes the property of wit instead of blunder. Thus we hear of a very

polite and impressive gentleman who said to a youth in the streets. Boy, may I inquire where Robinson's drug store is?"

'Certainly, sir,' replied the boy, very espectfully. Well, sir,' said the gentleman, af-

e waiting a awhile. "where is it?" 'I have not the least idea, yer honor,' said the urchin.

pearance, and give out the ring when There was another boy who was accested by an ascetic middle aged lady with: Boy, I want to go to Dover street.

Well ma'am,' said the boy, 'why don't you go there!" One day at Lake George, a party gentlemen trolling among the beautiful islands on the lake, with bad luck, espied a boy with a red sbirt and straw hat dangling a line

over the side of a boat. 'Hallo, boy,' said one of them, what are you doing?"

Fishing, came the answer. Well, of course,' said the gentlemon, 'but what do you catch?'

Fish, you fool; what do you sup-'Did any of you ever see an elsphant's skin? inquired a teacher of

an infant class. 'I have,' exclaimed one. 'Where?' asked the teacher. 'On the elephant, 'said the boy, laughing.

Sometimes this sort of wit degen

erates or rises, as the case may be in

to punning, as when Flora pointed pensively to the heavy masses of clouds in the sky, saying: 'I wonder where those clouds are going? and her brother replied:

I think they are going to thun-Also the following dialogue: 'Halloo, there, how do you sell

our wood?

By the cord.' 'How long has it been cut!' Four feet. 'I mean how long has it been since

you cut it.' 'No longer than it is now.'

Deadly Weapons. The carrying of deadly weapons concealed is condemned by the virtuous and the good of all communities. It is a practice hurtful to society and dangerous to individuals. It is judged a rare thing that a valid excuse can be rendered for carrying

about one's person a concealed weap But man is a progressive animal. and while a little while ago it was easy enough to determine what was meant by "a concealed weapon," it is

now difficult to determine. A distinguished Judge-one whose learning has long adored the judiciary of North Carolina-has decided that a clam is a deadly weapon, and no appeal has been taken from his decision, and should an appeal be taken the judgment of the Superior Court will be affirmed. It is possible that in its water ways and blessed with a abolition of clams, but for the fact that "The Deadly Greenback" has been fired on and its extermination

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hug we do not think or care.'

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