THE FATAL REQUEST

the face of his own father! CHAPTER VIII.

some considerator cumous, catting him."

The young man nodded his head and an expression of relief apread itself over his countenance. "I should like to think that," he said, "it would be a great alleviation if it could believe he perished like that could believe he perished like that other hideous death," and, as he apoke the perished its counter hideous death," and, as he apoke the perished itself its reply to-

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, in spite of these drawbacks, ther ejaculated under his breath: amph! A fine follow. Seems amonly cut up, too—rather un-thing in these days. Seems to meething like genuine feeling and I like to see it! I like to

ng arrived at the conclusion of remarks, some of which might een distinctly audible, had the chosen to lend an ear in their ns, he continued out loud: the by, let me introduce my-

rritt turned toward him with

and the doctor, seeing this, il've been on the spot ever be accident took place. You've how if was, of course? It was full sight, and what made it out to see the seed of the course it was a completely entroped or could be done to help. The and what was now; the front train was completely entroped of could be done to help the and what was now; the front of the seed of the seed of from the conclusion— which the flames lesped and which the flames lesped and db brint themselves out, and, hen; the heat was so latenes.

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offer on the part of a stranger, such that is de him in a few broken, but heartfelt words.

He made his way back to the station, and found that another train had just sarrived bearing a still further load of anxious, grief-stricken inquirers.

He wrote out a telegraphic message and consigned it to one of the clerks: not one of whom had had his hand off

not one of whom had had his hand of the instrument all night. On the line groups of men, under proper superistendence, were still bustly engaged in searching among the beaps of debris. As Ted Burritt stood and watched them at their work, suddenly the Llought issued scroom bit mind again to the property of the state of the state of the come of him friend! What had be-

CHAPTER IX.

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that he would be the and a meal. There ing little inn not far tood. It looked clean

In the meantime the young man threw himself into a chair with a heavy sigh, which the good old soul heard as she shut the door upon him. She returned to the room, in about half an hour's time with a tray, which contained the homely but excellent

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"Poor, dear, young rentleman," she murmured to herself, "if e don't look dead beat! I'll jest put the breakfast by 'im, so as' can see it when 'e wakes."

She left the room, closing the door behind her, and still the young man alept on, in sylte of his constrained attitude and the hardness of his pillow. Another haff bour passed, at the end of which time another step was heard ascending the eray little wood-heard ascending the eray little wood-

marked, half aloud. "Asleep, es? Good thing, too; good through a lot; worn binself out. Hullo! What's this? Breakfast, es? All got cold, too! Better wake him up after all!" This he did very geotly; and Ted Burritt started up, rubbing his eyes, well as the personality of the individual who confronted him. "Oh, Lordf' he cried, with a groan, "Id forgotten all about it. But tell me what the exam—"

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fee, "What's that I see?" lookat the viands through his golded spectaces. "Tea? eggs? butcream? brown bread? My
will keep; your breakfast won't. news will keep; your breaktast won't, or, rather has been heep too long already. Sit down at once and dispose of the contents of that tray, or you don't get another word out of me." Ted was astonished to find how hungry he was, and had soon cleared the board; though, at the same time, he found it rather embarrasating to feel that he was an object of interest to an individual in gold-rimmed spectacles, who stared at him persitently who stared at his periatestry to the control of the the hearer, who now and then
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bout sensational incidents:
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the improvements. These bon dated Jan. 1, 1904, and will : at the rate of \$15,000 annually, ning Jan. 1, 1905. The bonds sued in the denomination of and are registered in the office

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MILL MARY DAVIDSON

RAILROADS ARE BOOMING SALEM

After working with might and main for a long time to secure the necessary funds to clear bit schurch of debt, Rev. Dr. D. C. Milner of Joliet saw the mortgage and other paper evidences of the debt go up in a flash of flame set by an electric paper. Central Presbyterian church was celebrating the judice of its skitleth years and a



REV. DR. D.C MILNER

Inrecongration was present when Dr. Milner, the pastor, present a button and an electric current illuminated a large cross above the altar, the shurch being otherwise in darkness. He pressed another button and a second current produced the spark that set the evidences of debt on fire. The burned hanger represents (viol. 460). net the evidences of debt on fig. The burned papers represented total debt of \$45,000 that has been paid.

Next at Springfield Next Vear.
Springfield was choose fee; the next meeting of the Illinois State Historical Society and the following officers elected: President, Dr. J. F. Sarylar.
Belly, Chicago, second vice president, William Vocke, Chicago, third vice Belly, Chicago, second vice president, J. A. French, Springfield; directors, E. C. Sparks, E. J. James and McCulloph, Peorls: J. H. Burnham, Chicago, Chicago, McCundoh, Peorls: J. H. Burnham, Denvilled Chicago, McCundoh, Peorls: J. H. Burnham, Chicago, Chicago, McCulloph, Peorls: J. H. Burnham, Chicago, Chicago, McCulloph, Peorls: J. H. Burnham, Chicago, Chicago, McCulloph, Peorls: J. H. Burnham, Chicago, McCu Bloomington; M. H. Chamberlain, Leb-nano; Alfred Orendorff, Jessie Palmer Webber and George W. Black, Spring-field; Prof. George Smith, Carbondsle: Rev. C. Bachman, Prairie du Roche; W. H. Collins, Quincy; J. O. Cunning-ham, E. B. Green, Urbana. One direc-torship was left vacant. The directors will appoint the secretary-treasurer.

out of the shaft, when it caught against the side of the shaft and tipped the bucket in which be was ascending, and be fell out on his head. He died three hours afterwards. He was 35 years of age, unmarried and his home was in Carbondale.

Thousands for Charity.

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Carbondale, where is situated the only state school in the section. A tem-porary organization has been effected with Prof. S. E. Harwood as chair-man and Prof. George W. Smith as secretary. A committee consisting of Sam T. Brush, Judge A. S. Caldwell and Samuel Smith, has been named to

Freight Train Goes Into Ditch.
A northbound freight on the Chi-cago and Essern Illinois left the track three miles north of Marion and two engines and fourteen cars went into the ditch. After leaving the track the train ran a short distance on the ties, which gave warning to the crew, and all escaped, though somewhat in-and all escaped, though somewhat in-

Church Burns at Griggsville.

The Methodist Episcopal church of Griggsville was totally destroyed by fire. It was erected in 1884 at a cost of \$13,000. Insurance, \$4,000, carried in the Methodist Church Insurance company of Chicago.

Bupt, Baylise is Murt. State Superintendent of Public Ina struction Affred Baylise was struck by a street car at Springfield. He was knocked down, but not seriously injured.

nors will be commenced on the e tonsive improvements to be made : Salem by the Baltimore and Ohl Southwestern and the lillinois Souti ern Railroad Company. Some week ago the latter company purchased large tract of land near Salem for reservoir. When this is completed system of the salem for the system of the salem for the Baltimore and Ohlo tracks and the two roads will use it for warehouse purposes. The Southern will also orect a large concrete bouse for the lcomotives that remañ at Salem over uigh.' The Baltimore and Ohlo will short, a install a night operator at its station and Salem will again be made a regular stop for all trains.

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