**Doctor:** It is a long time since Mr Carrisford left us. He is supposed to be helping us with this poor man. Only he can give him hope.

**Nurse:** I sent Adhira to the office to try and track him down. It seems that everyone has fled. The news of the collapse of the mines has driven everyone away.

**Doctor:** I don't understand. Carrisford is a good man; a bit foolhardy, but he would never abandon his best friend. The rumoured loss of the diamonds is a terrible blow to both of them. If only we knew the truth. Crewe put all his money into this enterprise..

**Crewe:** (he is breathing very hard, delirious & tries to get out of bed) Sara, Sara! Little Missus! I must find her. I must warn her. She is poor, destitute, without friends. No money....no money... Help her, please (he grips the Dr's white coat) Help her aaaah! (he falls back, then gets up again) Carrisford, my friend, where are you? Look after her, Carrisford.... (during his ramblings the nurse and doctor have to restrain him and put him back onto the chaise-longue)

**Doctor:** You must calm yourself, Captain. This will never do – you are dangerously ill. .

There is a gasp from Crewe and choking

**Doctor:** He's fading fast - quickly nurse. *The Nurse desperately tries to comfort the Captain.* 

**Nurse:** Please Sir! You are doing no good by fretting in this way. All will be taken care of. Your little Sara will be found and looked after.

**Doctor:** Captain, tell us where Sara is. Carrisford will take care of her.

**Crewe** Sara, Sara. My Little Princess. Forgive me, my darling, forgive me! Ah, if only I could feel your little arms around my neck this minute. What wouldn't I give to feel ... see... Sara.....

Captain Crewe gives a heavy deep sigh and dies.

**Doctor:** It is too late.. he is gone and we know nothing of his beloved daughter's whereabouts Did he ever mention to you where Sara is? We must find Carrisford.

Adhira comes rushing in

**Adhira:** Memsaab. He's gone! Everything's gone. He's run away!

**Nurse:** Now now, Adhira. Calm down. Mr Carrisford would not have just left.

**Adhira:** Excuse for rudeness Memsaab, but he has gone.

**Doctor:** I was afraid of this. Nurse we will have to face the facts. Captain Crewe was a ruined man and his friend has deserted him. We must alert the authorities in England and send the sad news to the Crewe's solicitors. They will know where Sara is.

**Nurse:** That poor child. She has no idea what this means.

The lights fade