EF ' THE DUCKESON

ey was in many respects a very worldly coman; but all that was best in her was coman: but all that was best in the water was iven to Max Beauregard, and if she could not have faced poverty with him, she would be more than content to endow him with the wealth. She was rich enough, she had sometimes said, to consult her heart this time. Humor had it that her first marriage

irre. Humor had it that her first marriage had been for money.

As it was, though still cherishing some hope—widows do not readily give up their puarry—Mrs. Dudley felt decidedly uneasy and began to fear that Valerie's wonderful beauty was beguiling Colonel Beaute gard into forgetting that the girl was effire and a mercenary jilt, who had throws over a poor lover for a millionaire; and the millionaire, in his turn, for a landlord; and yet (Mrs. Dudley was obliged to admit) Valerie took up pains to win her host's affection.

Ere long the carriage was seen approaching, and hu a few minutes it drew up, and forfi Westbrook sprang out, and hurried up to the group on the hill-side.

"I have been as quick as I could," he said.
"How are you now, Miss Herbert?"

"In some pain, but not much," she said, entling, "Phank you again for all you have done; and harrying through the heat,

"Never mind that: you know I don't want any thanks. I have done nothing."
"I don't agree with you, you see," said Valerie, smiling.

Valorie, amiling.

"A willfu! woman maun has her way, westbrook 'said Beauregard, as he stooped to life valorie into the carriage.

Valorie thought of Zoc and the cheergame, and it was in her heart that a willful man sometimes gained the victory over a willful woman; but she held her

Colonel Beauregard was placing her on the back seat of the carriage, but she beg-ued him to put her the other side. "It won't matter to me," she said, "and Mrs. Dudley must not sit backing the

Mrs. Diddley must not sit backing the horses."

Ant latins protested that she could do so, and valoric ought to have the place where she could least feel the jolting; so Max settled his charge comfortably, and put a shawl over her feet and a light wrap round her shoulders. Then he handed in Mrs. Dudley, told Westbrook to sit beside her, and himself mounted the box beside the coachman, telling the latter not to drive fast; and so at length Abbot's Leight was reached, and Colonet Beauregard carried valerie straight up to her dressing room, accompanied by Lady Elinor, who asked anxiously if it was necessary to send for a surgeon; but Max langhed at this idea.

"She need only keep it bound up for a few days," he said, "and have linen soaked in vinegar round it, and it will soon be well, but I hope," he added, as he placed the site on sents. "East you will to be up in the

tel on a sola, "that you will join us in the

Hada's f botter stay up here," the said, "You will do as you prefer," observed fady Elinor, interposing; "but if you like to have ten and dinner here, you could come into the drawing room later, couldn't

"Yes," said Valorie, "that would be bet-tor; and between the banisters and Fanchon I can get down beautifully."



Coh. Beauregard carried Valorie araight up to her dressing-room.

"Ent you must be enreful," he said. "I am your doctor, you know, and I cannot have any risks run. I will see after you."

"No, please, you have done enough alfand," said the girl, quickly.
"Eat me be the judge of that," said he, lightly: "an revolt," and he went out.

Angela came running up almost immed-

Angels came running up almost immediately with Amy Linwood, and commission Valorie on her accident, and Amy insisted on having her fea in the dressing from. But Valorie shook her head, laugh-

There's metal more attractive below,"
or whispered, drawing Amy down to hat,
he other's face findical.
"Don's Velenting the cold. "I am or

The other's face funded.

"Ton't, Valerie!" she said, "I at comng up here to be with you."

And she had her way; Valerie, however,
nade her go down to dunter.

"I don't want to quarre! with Het Dalne," she said; so at last the petted beauty.
was alone—pressing her hand over her
teert—repeating over and over words that
night have meant so little, and yet had
neant so much: "No, my presions burlen!" Was she indeed presions to him?
Once more came the question that theilled
brough her like wondrous music: "Doos

or the state of th

there."
He suited the action to the words, taking her up in his arms as he spoke, Valerte yielding without further remoustrance, as was best; besides, she knew it made him suffer to see her endure pain.
"Thank you so much," she said, gratefully, as he gently placed her on the ground catalde the drawing room door, "Thank you, Fairy Queen, for giving into my man's weakness. It is so cruel to see a woman suffer! but it was easier so, wasn't it?"

"Much much easier!"

Cruel to see a woman suffer! Yet she had made him suffer, and for what!—a he must think. His words were a sharp stable her, though he had not meant them so.

Valeric on her couch was like a queen on her throne; they all gathered around her all save Max Beauregard, who resigned her to others, and, while he talked with Mrs. Langley, tried to steel his heart against the girl he loved so madly, and yet all the time he was vividly conscious of her every change of expression, and listened for her words or her laugh.

And presently Lady Elinor, who had been watching her opportunity, beckened her brother-in-law to her side, where she and somewhat spart.

comewhat spart.

"What is it, Noll, dear?" he said, as he seated himself on the lounge.

"Nothing very special, Max. Did you know that Constance Langley had a letter from Lawford this afternoon?"

"How should I know? and what is it to

With an enclosure for Valerie," contin-if Easy Elinor, agitating her fan gently, t glaneing edgewise at the soldier's dark

He turned to her with a half smile.
"Well," he said. "Is that all?"
"All! Upon my word, Max, I can't make

"All! Upon my word, Max, foan't make you out!"

"Hadn't you better leave off trying?"

"Impossible! I really began to think Valerie's wiles were succeeding; you have been leading her to think so, anyhow."

"I think Valerie can take care of herself, Nellie," said Beauregard, very quietly.

"Certainly she can!" said Lady Rlinor, trying to turn off with a laugh words whose meaning, as regarded herself, was perfectly clear to her; "no one better. Lawford is, of course, resuming his offer; he can have nothing else to write to Valerie about.

Mrs. Langley told me she had the letters."

"That you might tell me?"

"I don't know; but I only repeated this for you sake, Max."

"Vratment! Well, by your leave, we'll talk of something else."

But, all the same, the news was another stab to an open wound. Had Valerie done anything to "lure this tassel-gentle backagain," so that if she failed to win the greater prise she could still fall back on the entior so remorselessly thrown over?

No, he would not think this of her; but

enitor so remoraelessly thrown over?
No, he would not think this of her; but
he did not doubt that Mrs. Langley had

then some such steps.

Was Valerie consenting? Had she read iston's letter, and was she holding over reply until she saw whether—even at the leventh hour—she would score a triumph, and bring the owner of Abbot's Leigh to ser feet, or close her visit to the Hall with—ut succeeding in the object that took here

theref
It was maddening even to ask such mental questions concerning Valerie; and yet, horrible as they were, he could not quite dismiss them; he could not say such deliberate calculation of chances was impossible to her; and yet, there was ever the paredox which the girl presented to all that she had done—all of which she might (arguing from past acts) seem capable. She made no effort to win the man for whom she had abandoned a rich suitor (yet that might be profounded coquetry); she was so frash, so pure, so innocent; in her face no guile; in her acts, in her looks, none of the arts of the coquette. Could design so completely, as successfully, wear the mask of innocenter these them.

derkiy."

If was not till near the close of the ovening that he approached Valerio's couch, and asked her if they should finish the chess-game sometime to morrow.

"Yes," she said, "any time you like."
"Nay, put it the other way."

Valerie shook her head.

"It would be all one to me," she and.
"I shall have to keep still, so one time would be like another; and you may only have a few times you can oul your own."

"An ingenious pies for me—thank you for it; and if you are not inclined to play when I ask you, will you refuse?"

"But I shall like to play anytime."

"Suppose you were reading a fascinating access?"

"I would prefer cheen."
"Very well, I see I must take you at your

For they parted for the night.
The next morning Valerie's feet was much better; and Max told her that another day's complete rest, and partial rest for day or two afterward, would make "Richard himself again," though of course, the could not walk any distance for a fortuight

or north for which any antenno are elevanged or north for the morning nothing was done but general pottering, of which Valerie was the center; and Mrs. Langley waited patiently for me opportunity of seeing her nices done. It came at last, just after functions, when the girl had gone to her draming come to change her dress, and was resting the foot a little before going down again, but foot a little before going down again, but foot a little before going down again, where looked up, vagnety apprehensive, as her quit outered the room, but die and nothing. Mrs. Langley set down by the south, facing her nices.

"I hope your foot will be quite well by faturday," she said—this was Tunday—"as we have to leave on that day,"

"Oh, it will be all right before that?" and valerie, caredonly, "Well enough, at any rate, to travel, we are due at the Morton's on faturday evening, you see."

while you were out. Read thin," placed an enclosure in Valorie's and, rising, walked to the other

whole frame tremble.

Mrs. Langley seeing that her nicce had und the letter, came back to the couch.

"Well," site said, nothing of the girl's spect lost upon her, nor yet the crumpled etter still held in the little hand. "He is constant lover, is he not?"

Heaven pity the man of whom a woman spoke with such ineffable scorn!

Mrs. Langley grew white, and rose.

"I hardly thought, Valerie," she said, almost sternly, "that you would regard a man's devotion in this light! You are not just to Lawford!"

"Don't talk of him. along "intermed the

The girl raised her head, and looked steadily in her aunt's face. She knew perfectly well what was coming, but she did not speak.

CHAPTER ZLIV.—TOO LATE.

"Valerie;" said Mrs. Langley, "I am forced to put matters clearly before you, and it is better for both of us that I should do so. When you broke off your quast engagement to young Charteris, you did so partly because you did not love him; but also you saw the folly of a marriage between you and him. Then you gave Aston Lawford encouragement—and I certainly hoped to see you become his wife. Circumstances changed, and I made it no secret from you that your rejection, when it came, of Lawford was not unwelcome to me. But my hopes have not been realized, Let Colonel Beauregard think what he will of you, it was in your power to bring him to your feet; the more that I believe he is far from indifferent to you. What your feelings for him are I will not ask, but certainly he is a man for whom many women would be willing to face even powerty; nay, Mrs. Dudley is not the only woman who loved him enough to count it happiness to have become his wife when he had nothing but his pay and a younger brother's portion. Yot, so far as I can see, there is no nearer prospect of my hopes and plans for you being crowned than when we first came heret and it is your fault that this is so! I am bitterly disappointed! I have done everything for you, and you have repaid me by caprices; you have carned the name of a jilt; and for and you have repaid me by caprices; you have carned the name of a jilt; and for what? When you leave here it will be said of you that you threw over Aston Lawfor for Max Beauregard, and that Max Beau-regard's pride was proof against even your charms. Will you care to face society with

such a repute as that? You, who carried all before you, a feilure after all! And here," pointing to the toru fragments of the letter on the floor, "where there is triampli-a lover seorned kneeling again at your feet—you trample on it—spurn him a second time You are making shipwreck of your life, Valerie; I warn you before it is too late to retrieve the past. Think also of me-I have a right to ask this-a right to ask why I should be so disappointed in one for whom! have tried to do my bestof whom I was justified in hoping so much,"

After the first words of this singular iffesto, if so ft might be called, Valerie ad furned her eyes from her aunt's face. and sat gazing steadily into space; but her face never aftered once-not even when Mrs. Langley spoke of Max Beauregard personally; no color even for a second changed the livid pallor that spread even to her lips; her teeth were set, her brow, every feature, might have been hewn in marking the approximately only her bosom marble, she never moved, only her bosom rose and fell with the slow, labored pulsa-tion of her breathing, and her eyes glowed with a deep inward fire—the fire that burns

like living agony in heart and soul.

So she sat for full a minute after her aunt had ceased speaking; and Mrs. Lang-ley, perplexed, almost frightened by the girl's aspect, yet knew not what to say or do. How could her nature compass Va-

Then, without turning round or moving so much as her hand, Valerie said, slowly,

etly: I understand you clearly—quite clear-I will answer you on Friday mora-

"Valerie!" exclaimed Mrs. Langley, "If I have—"

Valerie lifted her hand.

"I said I would answer you on Friday morning, aunt Constance. Leave me alone now, please."

Mrs. Langley turned mechanically toward the door. Had her threat—it amounted to this—taken effect? Was Valerie about to re-consider her position? Whatever was in the girl's mind her aunt felt that a word more now might be dangerous. She simply bowed her head in acquiescence and left the room.

Then, with still that set, rigid look on her face, Valerie rose, went to her davenport, and sitting down, wrote, with unshalting hand, a letter. Its last words were, "Please do not write to aunt Constance. I ask you this as a special favor."

The envelope was addressed to "William Herbert, Esq., The Cottage, Weiford, —chire."

The Steppard Affair Settled.

MONTREAL, March 12.—The Sheppard affair is finally settled, the Toronto journalist having forwarded Major Dugas this morning the sum of \$2110.65, being the balance of the sum be promised to pay when he surrendered bimself to the authorities in November, as a final settlement. This sum is to be divided among Major Dogas, Capt. Benoit and other members of the Sixty-Fifth, who made disbursements in litigation against Mr. Shop-

A Freight Train Wrecked on the C.P.E. Orrawa, March 12.—An accident occurred on the line of the Canadian Pacific Railway 446 miles north of North Bay, near Heron Bay, on Saturday morning. A freight train composed of nine loaded care with Manitoba grain went through a treatle. The coupling between the tender and the freight care broke, leaving the engine, tender and conductor's van standing on either side of the track, while the nine care loaded with grain fell thirty feet. No person was injured. The care were smashed and the grain strewn over the ice.

Mr. Shults Bianppoints the Court.

Bialleville, March 12.—Win. Shults, sr., was wanted in court this morning to answer to the clarges of conveying land and selling goods with intent to defraud creditors, but failed to appear. Mr. Shults is out on \$3000 bail, and the charges were laid over until Wednesday. Mrs. Shults is said to have crossed the line safely last week with four Saratoga trunks.

Where Labor is Cheap.

Quenue, March 12.—To-night's session of the Labor Commission was taken up with laborers grievances. It was shown that wages varied from 25 to 75 cents a day for ordinary laborers and in some cases it was shown that apprentices received as low as \$1 a month, and were obliged to work ten hours at the shoemaking trade and afterwards do house chores.

A Buel to the Benth.
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., March 12.—A duel ending with the death of the two combatants occurred at Springerville, Ariz., last evening.
Wm. Pittman and a man named Blaine had agreed to fight out a quarrel over cards, and going into the street they fired at the same instant. Pittman fell dead and Blaine died

Sullivan Teed Up.
London, March 13.—A despatch from Dover states that while there John L. Sullivan's face and hands seemed badly mauled. Friends assisted him to the train on which he proceeded the London Hone his arrival at Livergool

Roblin Riveted in North Bufferin.
Winning, March 12.—Mr. Roblin's majority in North Dufferin is 98, with two places to hear from, one of which will increase his majority.
The total vote in Shoal Lake Saturday was:
Jones (Lib.) 412, Glendonning (Con.) 217; at the last election Hamilton (Con.) 500, Nelson (Lib.)

English Peds in America.

New York, March 12—Geo. Littlewood, the English pedestrian, arrived yesterday to compete with Geo. Cartwright, his fellow countryman, and it is likely a match will be arranged between them some day this week for \$1000 a side for a 72-hour contest.

Special Services at Windhor Castle.
London, March 10.—The death of Emperor William was the special topic in the churches and chapels of London to-day. Emperor William having been a Knight of the Garter special services in honor of his memory were held in S., George's Chapel, Windsor Castle.

Her. Hughes Ecctures at Conawa. Osnawa, March 12.—Jus. L. Hughes of To-conto lectured here in Music Hall to a large audience to-night on "The Present Duty of Protestantism." Pestmaster Carmichael occupfed the chair.

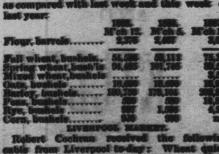
Roug, March 12.—The Pope, who has been suffering from an indisposition, after two

Chicago Stock Yards to-day is: Intimated re-ceipts 16,500. official on Saturday 11,736, ship-ments 2005. If to ever about 2000. Cattle re-ceipts 2000. Market quiet.

The visible supply statement will not be prepared until to-morrow, owing to business being suspended in the New York Evaluage on account of storm.

Tonowro strough as ground.

Following is the supply on hand, for Toronto as compared with last week and this week of hat year.



The Staats Address purely proclamation:

"It has pleased God to call His Majesty the Emperor and King, our most gracious master, from life after a short illness and after a richly blessed reign. The whole nation mourns with the Royal house the decease of the deeply beoved and venerable monarch, whose wisdom has ruled so long and gloriously over its fortunes in war and in peace.

The Minister of State."

The new King was proclaimed Frederick III. He signs "Frederick" without any reference to Emperor or King.

The Reichsanzeiger announces that the Chancellor has received the following telegram

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San Rimo, March 2.—At this moment of deepest sorrow at the decease of the Emperor and King, my beloved father, I must express my thanks to you and to the ministers of state for the devotion and loyalty with which you all served him. I rely upon the assistance of you all in the arduous charge which has devolved upon me. Fleave here to-morrow.

Berlin, March 10.—Court interest is becoming centered in the question of the coronation and the position of the new Emperor towards Prince William. In messages coming from the Emperor to officials here his son, Prince William, is studiously ignored and his name is not mentioned. Among the orders issued to-day it is directed that the oath of allegiance be taken by the troops without delay, that the ministers of state proceed to Bettenfeld to-morrow to receive the Emperor, and that no reception be held until after the funeral.

uneral.

The Lower House of the Prussian Diet met
his evening and received the formal announcenent of the accession of Emperor Frederick to the new Emperor to-day.

The accession of Frederick William to the throne tends to strengthen the hopes that peace will be maintained.

FOREIGN NEWS. The Duke of Leinster has been appointed an Irish Privy Councillor.

An earthquake in the Province of Yunan, China killed some 10,000. The Crown Prince was proclaimed Emeror and King as Frederick III. The silver wedding of the Prince and Princess of Wales was quietly celebrated on March

It is stated that the Empress of Austria will risit England shortly and make a prolonged It is stated that there are at least 2000 for ner residents of Kingston now living in Chi

Over 100,000 people were drowned and 1,800,000 left destitute by the inundations from the Yellow River, in China. The House of Commons voted down by 2 to 163 Mr. Labouchere's motion against hereditary House of Lords.

hereditary House of Lords.

The Italian advance posts at Ghinda and Bersa have been withdrawn, to lead the Abyssinians into a decisive engagement.

Mr. Chamberlain says that the best proof that the Fishery Treaty is a fair one is afforded by the fact that both parties to it grumble.

The condition of the Grown Prince has so much improved that it is announced the medical bulletins will be only issued on alternate days.

The British House of Commons has rejected a motion in favor of a special committee for Scotch business.

The Lendon Post considers the peace of Europe seriously imperilled by the Porte's ac-tion in declaring Prince Fordinand's position It is officially denied that any secret arrangement has been made by Austria, Germany and Italy with reference to the position of the Pope.

Secretary Bayard has forwarded a message to Ottawa inquiring why it is that the Canadian Government has not carried out the Reciprocity clause of the Tariff Act of 1879.

Lord Herschell, Liberal, predicts that the Conservatives before long will propose a Home Rule scheme, representing probably more advanced views than those of Mr. Gladstone.

Rowr, March 12.—The Pope, who has been suffering from an indisposition, after two days' rest is much better.

Muchell's Friends Jubilians.
London, March 12.—Sullivan and Mitchell arrived in Londou this morning. Sullivan left for Liverpool a short time afterwards. Neither showed much sign of punishment. Mitchell's friends are very jubilant over the result of the light.

LATEST MARKET REVIEW.

Tononyo, March 12.

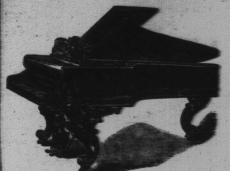
The grain and produce markets to-day were dull and quiet. The local market was steady, while Chicago was weaker and in Europe steady.

On call at the Board of Trade to-day: No. 1 full offered at 50c the year, with 50c bid. No. 1 rod winter 75jc bid for one or ten one. No. 2 rod winter offered at 50c, May delivery, with 50c bid. No. 1 Manitola, hard, one one sold at 50c, May delivery, with 50c bid. No. 1 Northern 50c bid. No. 2 Manitola hard, offered at 50c, May delivery, with 50c bid. No. 1 Northern 50c bid. The car lots received at Chicago yesterday were: Winter wheat 10, poing wheat 40; corn 51, oats 132, rye 6 and barloy 16.

The car lots received at Chicago yesterday were: Winter wheat 10, poing from the Chicago Stock Yards to-day is: Estimated receipts 16,500. official on Saturday 11,700, ships ments 6205, left over about 500. Cattle receipts 5000. Market quiet.

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