CHAPTER XXXIII.

How Lady Rylestone hated herself as she destroyed Miss Cameron's letter ! She had entered on her plan with the sole idea of helping her husband, of solving a mystery which she felt was in some vague way prewas not perhaps cast in the noblest mould : means in her great desire to reach the end. She hated herself now for the duplicity she had been compelled to practice with regard to the letter; but how could she have avoidaway, she thought of Scott's lines-

"Oh what a tangled web we weave. When first we practice to deceive,

She longed for the time when she should have done with it all, and be once more at rest. She began to think seriously when that time would be. She had been some time at Walton now, and she was no nearer the wished-for discovery than she had been

longer doubts, but certainties. What was she to do? How could she fine out that which was so well hidden? Miss Cameron was kindness itself to her, but she never showed the least inclination to confide in her; she never told her any secrets or hinted, after the fashion of young ladies, that she had anything to conceal. She was kind, cordial, affectionate, but not confidential. Margarita found herself greatly disappointed; she had thought it only needful to be at Walton, where she honestly believed that everything must come out that she would discover the secret easily, and soon be able months with Miss Cameron now, and she was no nearer the secret. Adelaide had never hinted at it, and Margarita felt dis-

"I must do something, soon," she said to herself; "I must take more active steps than these, I am looking on passively and doing nothing."

Of late, too, she had grown more anxious, When she had first decided on coming to Walton, she had been so engrossed with the idea of doing her husband good and of rendering him some important service, that she had entirely overlooked the fact that he might view her conduct with displeasure that he might think she had done him some great discredit, had disgraced him by making her way into his house secretly and in an underhand fashion.

"But surely," she thought to herself, "when I tell him that it was all for his dear sake, he will forgive me. If he wishes it, course of time, when it becomes known that I am his wife, people will think he has married Miss Cameron's companion. He cannot be very angry. I have done it all for him.

But the thought of what he might say had made her cautious. She did not ge out, ex: cept when she was absolutely compelled; and when it was in her power to avoid visitors, she did so. There were few who had ever seen Miss Cameron's beautiful dark-eyed

"I have never seen any one of your age dread strangers as you do," said Miss Cameron to her one day. "I believe you would prefer a desert to any other p ace."

And there was some little truth in the accusation. So Margarita set herself to study harder, to listen more attentively to every word, to watch every action, lest, after al her efforts, the secret should escape her.

She was much struck with one or two observations that she heard. Lady Langham, who was spending the Christmas holidays with them, said one day to Miss Cameron-"I should make the school-feast an annual institution if I were in your place;" and the

heiress had laughingly reminded her that the term of her residence at Walton Court must be a very short one. It was the first time that Margarita had heard her mention such a contingency, and

when they were once more alone together, she said to her-"You do not intend remaining here for

"How can I?" asked the heiress, laughingly, "It is Lord Rylestone's home, not mine. My agreement is for two years, and the two years expire next June; after that, I cannot answer for any movement of mine.'

"Then the future is uncertain for you?" said Margarita. "More, I think, than for any one in the wide world. I may be almost penniless in |. two years' time-poor, that is, in compari-

son with my present wealth." A happy smile came over her face, a tender light shone in her eyes.

"I should be happier than I could say, if at the end of two years, I might lose my fortune. The day the money ceased to be mine would be the happiest day of my life." Her voice took the clear ring of sweet music. Margarita looked up at her in sur-

"You would be happy," she said, slowly, " if you lose all your money ! Then you do not love money?"

"Indeed I do not," replied Miss Cameron promptly. "I like whet money buys. like to be able to relieve distress, to help my friends, to indulge my taste for all that is beautiful. But money, for its own sake, I do not love, and I repeat, honestly, it would give me the greatest happiness to lose what I at present possess. Your eyes are asking me questions. Margarita: what are they say ing to me?"

"I was wondering," she answered, "i you care so little about it, why you have so much?" Her face grew burning red. "I never ought to have had it," Adelaide

returned, hastily. "I would not say as much to you before, but it never ought to

"Why did you take it then?" asked Margarita; and again the flush deepened on the

"I could not help it. Do not talk about it, Margarita. I hate to think of it. It is the one business of my life to forget it."

And then she went away, but the conversation had made a deep impression on Margarita's mind and increased her perplexity. It was very evident that Adelaide had not intrigued for the money. She did not care for it. Lady Rylestone longed more than ever to find out the secret of the will. What could it be? The money had been left to Miss Cameron almost against her will, when she really did not desire it; while Allan, her husband, could not take his place in society for the want of it. The mystery seemed to shall have, any love to give away." deepen, not to clear. When Christmas was over, and the first pale snow-drops were given. peeping above the ground, Miss Cameron

beautiful residence of Lady Egerton. She would not hear of Margarita's remaining behind-she must go with her. world, she said. "If I allowed you to have your own way, Margarita, you would be a perfect recluse. You must come to Combermere. It is useless disguising the fact that you are exceedingly beautiful, with a beauty that far surpasses that of Englishwomen-just as the soft, downy beauty of a

peach eclipses that of a plum." Margarita laughed at the comparison, may be in store for you," continued Miss the dark one.

alter it." Tear mit me strattmoll

She yielded to Miss Cameron's wishes, and went with her to Combermere, and there amongst a large party of guests they met the Marquis of Hedington, who last season had been so attentive to Miss Cameron.

whenever she could. Cameron, the great heiress, was one of the before I had seen him. most important visitors there; but even she did not receive more attention than fell to

which had not occurred to him; but she had story; it had the true ring about it. He was whom I love does not love me. not thought she would have to practice such terribly in earnest, and she could sympathize deception, to engage in such intrigue. She with a lover who was true and tender, People smiled to see the young marquis, reas she had said of herself, she had a leaning | pulsed by the heiress, seek refuge with Martoward expediency; she lost sight of the garita; the eloquence that he dared not pour out to Adelaide was lavished upon her, and she grew warmly interested in a love-story

"If she would but care for me even ever ed it? As she stood watching the paper burn so little-if she would but smile on me, and give me one ray of hope for the future-I should be happier. She only laughs at me and when I do find a chance of speaking one. word to her, she listens with a half-amused smile, the smile of some sweet or pleasant

you," said Margarita, gently. " I would not ask you to betray her confiwhen she had first come; she had, however, dence-it would be unmanly-but I wish confirmed all her suspicions they were no you would tell me if you think there is any begin to think she will never care for me."

'No," replied Margarita, "I do not really think there is, So far as I have seen. Miss Cameron treats every one alike. I have never seen her give one single smile of preference to any of the gentlemen who admire her. I feel sure that you have no rival." It was wonderful and pitiful to see how

there is so much the greater hope for me. Miss Avenel, you are always kind and considerate, always thoughtful for others. Will

to have a friend at court." Be that friend to life for a shadow. me say some few words for me that will "I shall be content. Lould not learn can do that, Miss Avenel."

and the Marquis of Hedington, when she and there is none left for any one else." promised, seemed to think his suit half won.

seemed full of the promises of life. The am happy because this great love of mine we can still keep our secret, and in the green buds were springing on hedge and has changed all the world for me—has made tree, sweet violets were peeping out from it fairer, brighter, better—has opened my their green leaves, crocuses of the color of heart, given me greater sympathy and greatflame looked like huge golden drops, the er joy-has made me think more of others. snow-drops, "nuns of the garden," gave It has ennobled me, and, if I have no repromise of still fairer flowers. A lark was turn, I shall cherish my love in my heart of soaring aloft, filling the air with floods of hearts, and carry it with me to the grave." song, the sky was bright, and the gleaming . "It is a romance," said Margarita." spring sunshine lay like a smile over the Yes; and the prosaic side of the romance land. Most of the visitors at Cumbermere is that I shall probably live and die an old had gone out, some driving, some walking. maid. Adelaide, who loved the spring with its | "You, with your beautiful face and charm fresh, fair flowers, went for a long walk of manner, live and die unloyed! I do not through the park, and Margarita, seeing believe it," cried Margarita. there would be some chance for what she wanted to say, asked permission to accom- call it, will shine only on one man, dear. If pany-her. The two ladies set out together, not for him, then it will never brighten any and walked to one of the prettiest parts of other home. I do not say I shall never be

"We shall find plenty of flowers here." "Are wiolets your favorite flowers ?" asked Margarita.

ed a far-off look came into the gentle eyes. and the bright river in the distance.

ing of Lady Egerton, then of the visitors; did not hate me then, it seems to me that he and so, gradually and cleverly, brought it must in time love me. round to the young marquis. With one so | For the first time a faint glimmering of

seen any one more romantically in love. "He is very good," Adelaide acknowledged; "but I cannot say I have noticed who began to feel interested. much romance about the marquis." "I call his love for you a romance," said

same if you are unkind to him. "What do you mean by being unkind;" asked Adelaide, laughingly. "I mean refusing to marry him," replied

That I shall most assuredly do, if he asks me," said Adetaide, "I hope he will not ed by. make so great a mistake,

"Why should it be a mistake?" asked " Because he must have seen from my manner that I do not care for him in that way at all. He is very good, and I have a great respect for him; but love and marriage

are very different matters." o I know you will not be angry with me, said Margarita. "Why must it be a mistake? He is very good, this young marquis; he is rich and handsome, and talented in

" My dear Margarita, if he had the wealth of Crusus, the beauty of an Apollo, and the talent of all the talented men in the world put together, he still would not interest me. I am sorry for him," said Margari-

"It will not hurt him," observed Ade laide, smiling. "Love, when it is true love, always ennobles: He will be a better man, dear, for having loved me."

would rather be happy than ennobled, I should say. I must not ask indiscreet questions, but will you ever be able to take an world grew brighter because of them; and ately secured by the use of the celebrated

She looked far away over the hedges where the green buds were springing, over the tall wrote. "No more hiding in the village for trees just renewing their sweet life, the fair, my beautiful wife 1/ 1 have worked hard Volksfreund. German paper of Stratford, Ont. smiling earth seeming to grow doubly fair during these two years, and I shall have my in that moment. A'I have not, and never reward. Social success and fortune will both The Church of England and British Emi-

of a bell, and a brighter blush on the fair face vere the only reply.

It was one of the prettiest pictures possi- happiest of men. I shall see the face I love the British colonies, especially between were the only reply. ble to imagine-the tender spring light with its flushes of gold; the tall arching trees with their green, springing buds, and the two girls so beautiful, yet so different the one fair, bright and radiant, with golden hair; she had finished it a sudden pain seized her spiritual welfare of the emigrants. The delicate, dainty bloom, and clear-cut aristo —a dreadful doubt as to whether she had Archbishop says the proposal has obtained cratic face—the other dark, bewitching, done right or wrong—as to what he would the hearty consent of many Anglican bishops beautiful, with the richest coloring, and the say when he knew all—that the wife he in America.

Presently the golden head drooped over graced him?

my heart and my sout although it has been out his own fate. He seemed to have for part of my life still, I have never even gotten the bitter repinings about leaving

love-in love with a shadow." "With a shadow?" exclaimed Margarita. 'How can that be !"

He was all anxiety to renew his suit, he I heard of him-for he is one of the most no- could find some means of restoring his wealth was more deeply in love than ever; but all ble and generous of men. I used to hear to him he would be so much the better his efforts were vain-Adelaide only laughed little anecdotes about him, and mused over pleased to see her. her bright, happy laugh, and evaded him them. I made a hero of him long before I saw him. Without my knowing it, he filled Combermere was filled with guests-Miss | the whole of my thoughts and dreams even

"And when you did see him?" interrogated Margarita-for the girl had paused with a smile on her lips. "When I did see him my whole heart could not make any impression on Miss Cam- went out to meet him, and I knew the love judicial to him, of trying if her woman's wit eron, he tried to win her companion, so that of my life had come to me. I knew thatcould not find some way out of the difficulty she might speak in his favor. Gradually let it be for weal or for wee-my fate was that surrounded him, let it be what it might, Margarita became interested in his love- there. Still I call it loving a shadow, for he

> No suspicion of the truth occurred Margarita. She looked into the shining depths of the beautiful eyes.

you," she said gently. for me in time. "Are you sure he does not care for you

now " asked Margarita. "Quite sure. He would have said so if it had been the case. He does not love me, Margarita; you are not horrified to find that I care for some one who does not care for questions; and she in her surprise read it to

" I am not horrified at all," said Margar-"Well he has not the least idea of it.

Why have you the shadow of a hope if t is only a dream? "Because, when I saw him last, he was kinder to me than he had ever been before, and he said that whenever he saw a spray of mignomette he should think of me. I think

do you say?' "It is probably true," said Margarita, wondering in her mind if Lord Rylestone had ever associated her with any flower. "You see I am right in saying that I love I do not believe it. Her gracious Majest a shadow. When I look back on all the in- looks after those kind of things too well to help her husband. She had been for long you say just one word to Miss Cameron for terviews I have ever had with him, when I She pays those who know their business. me, and see if you think there is any hope?" think over every word that he has ever said do not believe it was lost." Would it not be better for you to do so to me. I must honestly say there is not one As she spoke she looked at Margarita which shows that I am anything more to whose face flushed and then grew pale be "Yes -I would not yield my prerogative, him than the rest of the world. Still I can- neath her keen glance.

> you, as it were, prepare the way for me ? I . But, said Margarita, "suppose that it remember the old adage, 'It is a great thing is never realized; you will have wasted your

> induce her to look on me with more favor- even in the course of long years to care for able eyes, that will soften her heart. You any one else. I shall live my life happily enough, although in place of love it may be The earnestness of his pleading touched filled with a passionate yearning and a passionate regret. Right or wrong, for weal or "I will do as you wish," she said gently; woe, all the love I had to give I gave him, "I am sorry," said Margarita, in a pity-

"There is no need for sorrow, dear. I do not know if I have ever looked for any re-It was a fine, clear spring day. The air turn for all I have given. I think not. I

"My beautiful face, as you are pleased to loved, but I have no love to give in return, save to him who will perhaps never claim it -my shadow."

She rose as though the pain of her own words was almost greater than she could The dainty bloom on the fair face deepen- bear. She stood looking at the far-off woods "No," she replied, "I love mignonette " I cannot tell you all, Margarita," she continued; "perhaps you will like me even |

Margarita was quick enough; she noticed less for what I have said. I know what the deepening color, the brightening eyes, people say when a girl gives her love unaskthe changing glow on the fair face. " She ed; but I have not given mine in that tash loves some one," thought Lady Rylestone— ion. He knows nothing of it; he never will.
"some one who likes mignonette."

I would not stoop to intrigue and maneuvre They sat down on the low style that led | - for a fortune I would not try to win his from the coppice to the fields; and then Mar- liking; it is only the shadow that I love, garita thought that the time had come when after all. But, Margarita, something terrishe could speak of Lord Hedington. She ble happened once to my love-something or heat is concerned, will be abolished, as was bright and warm as the spring morning that seemed to outrage the girl hood the seemed by artificial looked at Adelaide's face-the look upon it | that should have made him hate me-somewas bright and warm as the spring morning thing that seemed to outrage the girl hood means, and all parts of the globe will become itself. She began the conversation by speak and modesty within met and, because he equally inhabited. Day will have no at-

I shall soon know whether he does or not. "How will you know?" asked Margarita, "That I cannot tell you. Next June will decide my fate. It may see me the happiest Margarita. "I think he will never be the of the happy, or content to live without

"Next June," repeated Margarita : and then her half-formed suspicions died away It could not be her husband-it could not even concern him-for he was far away, and would not return until June had long pass-

You will keep my secret, Margarita? said Adelaide, as they walked slowly to the

some day to see this hero of yours. But Adelaide rejoined sadly-

The marquis of Hedington had been dispathy, but with the firmest assurance from than ten years old, very sick, 'He suffered importunity would be useless. He was was perfectly stiff in his limbs, could not wretched enough; and Adelaide pitied him. He had left Combermere, and soon afterward the heiress and her companion went home to | Jacobs Oil, used it according to directions Walton Court.

Lady Rylestone had received several letters from her husband, and had answered them, sending her replies to Marpeth, and having them posted there. For many days after the receipt of those letters Margarita

be ours and I shall prize them doubly because I have won them for you. The Earl of Barton has told me that he will have at his disposal next spring an excellent appointment, and he has promised it to me. So,

world contain another so happy as I? spreading oaks at Walton Court, and when and the colonial church, with a view to the most seductive style of features. They were loved and honored had stolen under false so utterly different, yet both were young pretences into his home. Would he be beautiful and charming.

"It was for his sake, after all," she

whispered the words to myself? But I am in home and leaving her. Still he could not be angry; she had done with murder in administering poison to a no harm, and it had been all for him. It student at Blenheim House School, Wimblewas true he said nothing in his letter about don, the prosecution stated that the analy-"It is so. I half loved my shadow -shal his disappointment, but it must be as keen sis of the stomach of deceased showed most is Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam. Price 25 ternally. It cures sore throat, burnet, scalds, and all foul humors and impurities of the

to Cameron's companion could say would be into the Court of Chancery, where it has rethat in marrying a "companion" Lord Ryle- mained until now. stone had married beneath him. It was "He must be hard of heart not to love not so terrible after all. Another thought occurred to her. If she was to find out the "Ah, no! He is not, He has never spok- secret of the will before her husband returnen one word of love to me, but I have the ed, she must find it out soon; she had but that lacked none of the elements of romance. | shadow of a hope. He may perhaps care little time left, and she must make the best

> There had been some slight sensation about the lost letter, but not so much as she feared. Miss Cameron had in due course of time received an epistle from Lord Rylestone, asking why she had not answered his Margarita.

> "The letter must have been lost," said Miss Cameron; "and yet in England our postal arrangements are so good that I cannot see how that can have occurred." It must have been mislaid something must have happened to it," said Margarita, dreamily, remembering vividly the torture

of the hour when she had written it. Justas they were discussing the matter Ma Grame entered the room, and Adelaide, who that when a man in his thoughts begins to had not only a kind affection for, but also associate a girl with a flower he loves her, great confidence in, the old housekeeper, or at least is beginning to love her. What told her how disappointed Lord Rylestone was at not having received a letter she had

"Lost!" said the old lady. "No, ma'am,

with all respect for you and to his lordship

A OTO BE CONTINUED II BIT

What Invention May Do.

The possibilities of science when applied to the industrial arts are so very great that and croup-some remedy, too, which can be careful people hesitate to state them for fear relied on as safe, sure and certain. of exciting ridicule. So, in articles which Wistar's Balsom of Wild Cherry combines have recently been published in London as the desideratum. well as in New York, a humorous turn has Manufacturers well as in New York, a humorous turn has Manufacturers of Reapers, Mowers and been given to some of the possible results of Threshing Machines prefer "Castorine" Ma-

inventions in these days. beth to have been told that water would be supplied to every house by means of pipes, that a combustible gas would be distributed in a similar manner from a central reservoir, a family medicine. Immediate relief will that messages would be sent across continents | follow its use. It relieves pain, cures chiland under oceans in a few minutes, he would | blains, frost bites, scalds, burns, corns, rheuhave set down his informant as a lunatic, or, matism, neuralgia, &c. For internal luse i at best, the very wildest of dreamers. The is none the less wonderful. One or two man of to-day would be quite as incredulous doses frequently cure sore throat. It will of science may do for the people of 1981.

twentieth century electricity will accomplish the utmost rapidity; it is really a wonderful marvels which now seem too absurd to seri- medicine. ously set forth. Chops and steaks will be cooked by electric sparks so as to make the Frenchman's cotellette a la minute a reality. The fruits of the earth will be multiplied For sale by all dealers.

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All this seems wild enough but no doubt very great changes will occur. If food can be produced by improved methods, with less cost, the problem of poverty is solved. If machinery continues to replace handwork, the hours of labor must be shortened and its value increased; but to raccomplish this, a social revolution will be needed by which labor-saving machines will be worked for the benefit of the laborer, and not in competition

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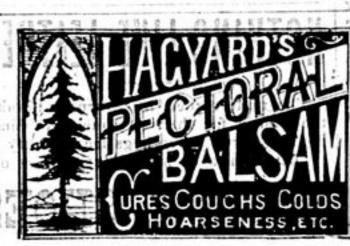
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memory, and I know it is not for me.' "Still I do not see what I can do to help

his face cleared. "If that is really the ease," he said

for I love her very dearly. I meant, would not divest myself of this faint hope."

CHAPTER XXXIV.

the grounds—the coppice. said Adelaide. "I want some violets."

frank, frankness was best. She looked up the truth came to her, and she looked into at Adelaide with a sudden, bright smile. the girl's fair face with troubled eyes. "Does not his great devotion touch you in the least?" she asked. "I have never "Feaunot tell you that—I must not. But then be situated on healthful hilltops, in-

"But that is poor comfort for him; he "Not in the way you mean, Margarita.

"Perhaps," observed Margarita, "it is all A soft, sweet laugh, like the silver chime

"It is a secret," she continued ; "for do care about this fortune. He seemed almost "I hope it will be a happy one, Margarie you know, Margarita, although it has filled better pleased that he had been left to carve

"Yes, I will keep it, and I shall hope "I do not know. I do not think it is likely that you will." CHAPTER XXXV.

"Then for the new life, Margarita!" he

I call him so !- before I saw him, from what as ever, and, if she could lessen it -- if she positive traces of aconite poisoning.

Robert Robson, a woodman at Hexham, So she took heart again, repeating to her- lished, in the Court of Chancery, his right self the magical words, "It is for his sake," to funds which have been in the custody of and then she looked at the matter in its the court for 138 years, and are said to amworst aspect. He would return in Novem fount now to nearly £250,000. In the early ber. Early in November she must go to part of last century a brother of Robson's her own home and be there to meet him; and grandfather having married an heiress, a then she must tell him what her love for him, Miss Walker, went to Manchester, where he

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