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After every ball dezens of little scenes are eracted at home in the privacy of people's chambers. Nobody ever goes to bed at once the instant they find themselves back in their room. Be your feet not speak." And she stamped her foot see the way in which he would knit his ever so stiff with dancing, nerves and in agination are too much excited to consent to the rapid transition from gaslights and music, to quietude and a night-light. Those little senses, joyful or sad, according to what the ball has brought, would be quite as interesting to watch as the ball itself, only nobody ever has the opportunity of watching them; every person has but their own little scene. No doubt there are dozens of these little scenes going on after this ball, too, like after any other : perhaps Fraulein Melanie, with her acorn wresth, is going through a little scene of her own. Why should she not? But we have not to do with her.

Halka is in her room, sitting before her glass; she has taken off her pearl-grey gown of pale blue. She is getting her half of their projected stay; the lodgings from D—bad, she literally does not her head, which for her was as much as hair gently brushed out of the semblance were engaged for a fortnight longer when know which way to turn, in order to pricking up her ears. of tow into which it has been frizzled for the evening. There are two or three long taken place in Gabrielle's health and While Arnold and Halka are talking in curls, and a bunch of small frizzy ones, spirits. Little causes produce great the drawing-room, and Hermine is fitting resposing on the toilet-table. Halka effects, we are told in our copy-books, up her travelling-bag for the journey, never makes any attempt at concealing and it proved true here, if indeed it can Reata is pacing up and down room feverthese little accessories to her toilet from be called a small cause, all the misery and ish and disturbed. Otto, knowing well that he must find them irritation of nerves produced by noisy "If only there was one person whose out in time, and that it was wiser to take people overhead. The Swiss houses at advice I could ask, or I think I shall go the initiative and accustomed him to D-bad, although they were very mad! My head is acheing wildly already. accept these tings as a matter of course. pretty to look at, were not supposed to I ought to speak, I know. Oh, why am

finger after another. the ball—the one who was giving his tread of each of the six boisterous far away, not to Mexico, perhaps that is arm to Frauleing Lackenegg after the children overhead. The course of their too far (withan unconscious afterthought), second quadrille! did you notice him? | games, usually leap-frog or nine-plus, and then they shall know everything; but hair is a French woman, and does not followed without difficulty by anybody on and on in a restless round. She is unuderstand anything but her native who cared to do so. Arnold, of course, rapidly working herself into the state of

to pull off his second glove.

my life; such a costume!" and Halka shud- | ical tears into another. Within the dered delicately. "And such free-and space of two days she lost all the little easy manners! I wonder how Frankein strength which she had been slowly Lackenegg could stand him; she must gathering; she lost all her delight in surely have got used now to a different

-fagged to death with the strain of the not hear of it. The whole place was evening, and he has no energy remaining | horrible, she said; she was tired of it, and either for talking or thinking. Halka she wanted to be back at Steinbuhl. does not pursue this subject, although she had made a note in her mind of sev- day after the ball, when Gabrielle, dezeral little things concerning that stranger, which have excited her curiosity; but she of howling and rattling, and there came

"It was a very good ball; don't you think so? So brilliant and animated, and so many pretty faces; but I think that Franlein Luckenegg was quite the prettiest

girl in the room. There was nothing to find fault with in the words; but all the same, they seemto imply some lowering to Reata, which was not definable exactly, and Otto was far too much worn out in mind and body round hard ball.

stant intercourse.'

have said, or "so different from me;" while Otto and his wife went straight to occurred to him for the first time. but he did not-he finished his phrase differently. "Arnold is such a cut-and villa there. dry fellow, and such a stiff-backed aristocrat in his ideas, he never would think of anything of the sort-

of Arnold's ever thinking of marrying Schwerendorfs held out hopes of going "I don't know anything about her making an unn cest ry display of his The departure of the young Bodenbach latter part of the speech. "She has ro cure of Catarrh, take Dr. Sage's

admiration to-night."

and following only his own train of thought. "He is not at all the sort of man to attract a girl like her-I am sure of that,"

"Oh, indeed," said Halka, quietly, and there the conversation dropped. This was in the hotel where the young Bodentach couple had their rooms; there

of the party lodged.

early?" Madame Schwerendorf was ask-

"I hope he will never come back,"

good as cortain."

"Sent him away! Refused him! Quelle ilee!" Madame de Schwerendorf almost would never come!

clasped hands. Her red roses, still smell- How was she to have guessed that that received by them at present. In any glowing roses of last night, are tossed on seemed a trifle worth regarding was in have a home in my father's house for as the table beside her. Neither is she the Europe a heinous fault? same Reata she was last night-triumphant and joyous. Her eyes are burning deep and dark, and there is an expression | she must have somebody to stand by her,

of misery in her face. own image in the glass.

should lose him either way, and I deserve contempt when she lifted that veil which the other day. Have you never received

it for my folly." miserable failure.

CHAPTER XL .- GUESS-WORK.

their unexpected exit had come to pass. escape from the perplexities which she

tongue, so that her presence is no obstacle was told that he must do something; mind which makes women commit follies there were complaints made, and entrea- to be repented of ever afterwards. "No, I did not," said Otto, beginning ties, and threats, and all to no purpose; the leap-frog and the nine-pins continued, I never saw anything so dreadful in and Gabrielle went from one fit of hyster-D--bad, in the view from the window and the fir woods. Her father offered to No answer from Otto; he is very tired take other rooms at once, but she would

The final climax was reached on the ing on her sofa, was awakened by a noise racing in by the half-opened door, mad with terror, and half wild with pain, Cheri harnessed with twine to a redpainted toy-cart, hung with bells, and dashing about upside down from side to to be attendant on her."

side behind the terrified animal. Gabrielle screamed, and had a fainting smelling-salts for the rest of that day.

it is rather imprudent of your father to Dr. K—had said, that the invalid's temper in Arnold's manner now, Halka have such a handsome girl stay at the fancies must be humored. So packing changed her drift imperceptibly. house. Your brother is young, after all, up in all haste, the party turned their "Well, Gabrielle will have to get accusand there might be danger in such con- backs upon the hills and pine woods of tomed to doing without her; she will not D-bad; and two days after the ball- be staying with you always, I suppose?" "What do you mean?" asked Otto. | day the Bodenbachs and Schwerendorfs "Arnold is so-" sensible, he might were back at their respective homes, ly, as the possibility of Reata's departure Vienna, to establish themselves in their

was ratified in the haste of parting, that | taking another situation?" Halka would Arnold and his father were to make a run | have preferred working up the point with to Vienua next month to enjoy a sight of more nicety, but the time was short, and travel! I never surgested the possibility the exhibition, and their friends the the carriage might appear any minute.

couple from D-bad had taken place relations in this country, I know; bu: Catarrh Remedy. "And even if he should," Otto wen; about two hours ex list than the rest of there seems to be some qua rel or a is

on, hardly having heeded Halka's word's, the party; and during the ten minutes' dressed for the carriage, while Otto had off to hurry it, there had been a little conversation between Arnold and his sister-in-law-Hermine, who had outwardly recovered her usual placidity, sitting in the room engaged in fitting up her travelling-bag for the journey. was another conversation going on in the Reata was in her own room, probably Swiss building, where the other portion going through some ceremony of the same sort. She had not shown much all Hermine was standing upright in her yesterday; she said that the ball had tired crushed ball-dress; she was wont to be her, and that she preferred being left very sleepy after balls, but she was not alone. Once or twice, when she had sleepy to-night. The flaxen plaits were joined the others, it had seemed to Reata rough and disordered, and the twenty- that Arnold spoke less to her than usual, four bouquets of forget-me-knots-those and her jealous fancy made her notice bouquets which had all of them been every word he said to Hermine. Very sewed on for Arnold, but at which he had likely it was only the hurry and confusion not even glanced-were flattened and and discomfort which affected him, and "Why did Count Stayn go away so oftener than usual; but her morbid imagination distorted everything, and made "He disappeared all of a sudden." her more and more restless and dissatisfied. Was he angry with her on account of that unfortunate rencontre with Mr. "But, my dear child, pour l'amour de Fadenhecht? What ought she to do? She Disu! what do you mean? Has he not could not see clearly, nor think clearly, poken to you? I thought it was all as in the midst of this bustle. She could "Yes, he spoke to me-but-but I back at Steinbuhl, and then she would try to think, and see what was her best course, for there were many doubts and perplexities weighing on her mind just then. Should she tell everything, and pression of her daughter's face, she went | be done with these hateful mysteries for on quickly: "Don't look so unhappy ever? But no; again she trembled when about it, dearest child-I am not going | she thought of what might be the possible to scold you. Of course you must choose effects of her confession-the surprise, for yourself-and the ball has been such | probably the reproaches, she would have a success, and everybody admired you so to endure. And how explain, how get much; I was told so ever so often, and anybody to believe that she is innocent your dress was so pretty-" But in of any moral consciousness of guilt? that the middle of this brilliant enumeration | she had done what was wrong thinking it Madame Schwerendorf was stopped short | was right, or at least allowable? It is by Hermine flinging herself suddenly not madness to expect others to place and heavily into her mother's arms, and | themselves in her place, see with her bursting into passionate sobs upon her eyes, through the medium of her strangeneck. She was worn out, weary, sick at ly trained mind, when at that moment heart with waiting for something that even she herself has learned to regard it was not coming, and which she knew differently? There is a code of right and wrong which stands upright throughout Two doors off, Reata, still in full ball the world, but the interpretation is modistate, is standing before her glass with fied according to classes and countries.

No, she tells herself over and over again, she cannot do it while she is alone; and take he part against everybody. In "I had almost forgotten all about it," a few weeks she will have somebody, she she is thinking, wretchedly. "And I hopes; but even then she still trembles remembered it all when I saw that man's at what she must go through. Arnold, face; it must have come sooner or later; with his stern sense of justice, his witherbut why could I not have been happy a ing contempt for any conceit, will he not little longer? But I cannot speak now, I spurn and despise her? She felt sure he cannot throw myself at his head-1 will | would; in seemed to her that she could on the ground, and threw up her dark eyebcows together, and draw himself up she certainly had not the power to leave head, where the crow's wing still stood to his fullest height, and turn away and uot in bold outline. She looked at her never speak to her again. He might "And even if I were now to speak it begun to care for her already, she had not heard anything further from Mexico? would be of no use, I should lose him. I seen that—but his love would die in That is just what I was asking Otto about she had wilfully woven with her own any further intimation of the death?" And she turned away slowly from the hands. He had begun to care for her looking-glass, dry-eyed but wretched. already-yes, she told herself repeatedly; guilty feeling of having forgotten all Everybody is talking of her triumph to- but would he ever have gone further? about the matter lately, and of having night, but to her it is no more than a Would he have sacrificed his prejudices completely overlooked the fact that the his wife? Thousands of thoughts as more than due. confused and harrassing as these had been circling round and round in Reata's Lackenegg not able to throw any light the movement, the galty of D--bad, brain, ever since that moment when she upon this extraordinary silence? Have away from the frothy river and the pine turned away from her mirror with dry you never asked her?" woods; back in the quiet house with the eyes but a sinking heart; and hour by green shutters, and the green-beaten hour her doubts, by dint of brooding over about Miss Bodenbach's death," explained wall, and the alley of horse chestnut them in a state of mind highly strung, trees. It had all been very sudden and and with an imagination always prone to her about it, because it makes her so unlooked for, and done with little or no excitement, had gained in dimensions, unhappy." premeditation. They had not got through | till now, a few hours before the departure

A sudden change for the worse had sees on all sides.

Otto is sitting on the sofa, and beginn- do more than to lodge people during the I such a coward? But I cannot bear to ing slowly to pull off his gloves, one summer months and were therefore not be spurned and despised by him. In so solid of structure as might have been three weeks, perhaps a fortnight, she "What a very strange man that was at desired. The ceiling creaked under the must be here, and then I will go away, The maid who is brushing out Halka's and of their quarrels, could have been I shall not be here to see it." And so

"I am sorry not to have seen Fraulein Laekenegg to say good-bye to," Halka was saying to Arnold, while she pulled on her gloves for the journey. "But I had really quite forgotten all about her; she has kept herself so hidden these last two days. Perhaps Hermine," turning towards her, "will be kind enough to make my adieus for me. She is not ill, I

"I don't think she is quite well," answered Hermine from over her travelling-"She complains of a fearful head-

"Oh, indeed! It would be a nuisance if she were to knock up just now when Gabrielle is in such need of care." "Gabrielle has got her maid to look after her," said Arnold, with a little temper. "She cannot always expect Reata

Arnold's relations towards his sisterin-law were of a somewhat distant nature, fit, and had to lie flat on her back with and the conversations between them were few and far between. In theory he Arnold was again told that he must do approved of her thoroughly; she was just something, and he did do something, the the lady-like, aristocratic, quiet woman more readily that his temper was decided- best qualified to have become a member silent, and rolled up his gloves into a ly short that day. He thrashed the first of the Bodenbach family; but in practice, of the half dezen boys he met, eliciting somehow or other, she was not as such piercing yells that Gabrielle nearly | thoroughly congenial to him as all these tinues Halka, bending forward a little had a second fainting fit. The doctor qualifications might have been supposed nearer to the glass,—"it struck me that was sent for, and said the same thing as to make her. Perceiving the shade of

"I suppose not," Arnold replied short-

"You don't know whether she has any gestion and nutrition, rouses every relations to whom she intends to go organ into natural action, and brings It had been settled long before, and ultimately? or do you think she intends back health and strength.

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> any notion how she has been left by your "No, I have no notion about how my aunt has disposed of her money. I don't ing of any of it in favor of her friends;

would be content with that peculiar sort

of position for long, and I am sure Frau-

lein Lackenegg would not. Have you

"And do you really mean to say"-with have cared for her otherwise-he had a little feigned surprise-"that you have

"Never any," answered Arnold, with a of caste by selecting a low-born girl for reply to his letter to Mexico was now "How very strange! And is Fraule

"Oh, but Reata does not like to talk

Halka made a slight movement with

"How very strange!" she said again, reflectively. "So that actually you have got no further evidence of your aunt's death than that certificate of burial which was sent you by Fraulein Lackenege?" "No other," answered Arnold, provok-

ed at the catechism he was getting put through. Halka was silent for a minute, and apparently engaged in the contemplation of the ivory handle of her parasol. Hermine, having completed the arrangement of her bag, had gone over to the other side of the room, and was collecting various small trifles from off the table.

"I suppose you are quite sure that your aunt is dead?" Halka said suddenly, in a lower voice, looking up at Arnold. He started violently, and returned her look of enquiry by one of haughty

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