CHAPTER XV.

The return of Mr. Nestorius enlivened the tea meeting in the spacious library. Lady Carminow handed him his tea-cup with a caressing smile, "We have been perfectly wretched

without you," she said. "It is worth all the pangs of ab-

sence to hear such a confession," he answered laughingly.

Yes, Lashmar's admiring eyes recognized that perfection of earthly loveliness, the charm of delicate coloring, the flowing lines and gracious curves, the alabaster wrist and long Titianesque hand fluttering lightly over the low, round table, with the vermilion tea-tray, and ivory and gold cups and saucers. Could any woman be lovelier or fitter to reign over such a house as Lashmar Castle, or to bring life and light into that dingy old barrack in Grosvenor Square which required to have at least fifteen hundred pounds expended upon it by way of decoration and sanitary simprovement before it would be habitable? She was rich too, rich and very rich-and this was an important consideration to a nobleman who had five farms unlet out of thirteen, and whose

eight tenants were all in a complaining vein. The Lashmar rent-roll had been diminishing ever since Hubert's death, and although Lord Lashmar had other resources and might be considered a rich man, there is always an idea of poverty in any diminution of income; while, if Mr. Nestorius and his broad were ever to get the landed proprietor would doubtless be.

Assuredly Lady Carninow's wealth in the present day could afford to ignore or to despise. Lashmar was not in love with her but he had begun in love with her in the days that quietly before we go to bed." were gone, and that he was beginning to drift that way again. Perhaps he thought so all the more this afternoon, when he saw Nestorius seated at her elbow-Nestorius, who, albeit fortys five years of age, had more than the been as music in woman's ear.

renewed with redoubled vigor

"The most dangerous man in England," thought Lashmar; "all the more because he looks so thoroughly

Lashmar told himself that Lady Carminow had made up her mind to from London. take a second husband, and that if evitably marry Nestorius.

'I cannot allow her to go over to agreeable.

Steila his Reynolds child and had for er's untimely death." gotten her existence afterward. This gentleman often dropped into tea at he was asked. He adored smart peo- ish. ple and he liked to hear himself talk. Mr. Vavasour was discussing the lines of an intended novel with Lady Sophia, who, on the strength of her connection with the Sunday Slasher, considered herself quite a literary per-

she asked eagerly.

" Plot, my dear soul, nothing so demode as a novel with a plot nown- ius, "so here goes." days. We leave plot to the men who write melodramas, for the Adelphi-- . . . down."

Stimulated by the idea of rivalry, Lord Lashmar threw a shadow of tenderness in his talk with Lady Carminow across the teacups; which was tress of his soul.

him," she said to herself.

ing clay-bespattered cordurer in con- could only see my father and talk to inow." tact with the lights and shadows of him and get his consent to our mar-

sea-green plush, silken shining folds that reflected the glow of the burn-

ing logs yonder. "What have you been doing all

day?" he asked. "Nothing, Do you know that Lashing girl.

Nestorius flushed ever so slightly with a vexed air.

"Yes, I met Miss Boldwood in the

"Were you telling my brother's protege the result of your experiments upon those papers?" asked Lashmar. "No; but I will show you the result this evening, if you like," answer-

ed Nestorius, coolly. "Is it a startling result ! Does my mother's dependent turn out to be a princess in disguise ?"

We have not got so far as that: but there is quite enough in the transcription of those papers to interest you, and to assure you that Bold- grave is of no matter to me. You wood's wife was something better disobeyed and you deceived me for the than a gypsy."

said Lashmar with a contemptuous venturer's love. You say that he is air, as if he thought the whole thing still devoted and that by the labor a farce, and Nestorius's enthusism a of his hands he earns your daily not produce the papers at once,—they have any right to expect to be you, upper hand again, the war against the might interest Lady Carminow who the disobedient, deceitful daughter. complains that I provide no amusement for my lady guests

"The records of the dead-of a brokwas not an attraction which any man en heart, perhaps—are hardly to be discussed at a tea-table. I'll bring them to the library to-night, when the evening's frivolities are over, and to think that he had been very much you and I can look through them

"As you please," answered Lashmar, you are the master of the situation."

"Do you know Spanish ?"

"Hardly arword of it." "Then I am master of the situcharm of youth, whose voice had ever ation; for the transcriptions are all in Spanish, and I shall have to translate them to you,"

It was half past eleven when Nestorius and Lashmar went to the library -the former carrying a little portfolio with the papers he had brought

Mr. Nestorius seated himself near she did not marry him she would in- a reading lamp, and opened his portfolio.

"First, let me restore the original the opposition," he thought, and he papers," he said, handing Lashmar a went across to the low, round table, packet. "They are there, unreadable her people were noble, and, indeed, found another creepie stool and seat- to the ordinary eye. You will keep the tather's eagerness to marry ner seemed to be making himself mighty copies. Four are love letters, pure and simple, written by the future Mrs. Mrs. Vavasour; also in a tea-gown, Boldwood to her husband, The fifth -something Japanese and funtasti- and last is from Mrs Boldwood's fathcal, with a cloud of gauzy ecru lace er, and is dated two years after the about her throat and chin, -had her date of the other four, and was writlittle knot of admirers, among whom ten, as I understand it, just before is that of five and twenty to thirty were Mr. Ponsonby, the barrister, and Stella's birth. It is a letter that may years ago. A Spanish girl's elopethe pompous old rector who had called have helped to bring around the moth-

"Will you be good enough to read them to me?" asked Lashmar, hating by careful inquiry one might find the castle and dined there whenever himself for never having learned Span-

> the statesman, murmuring gibberish, wretch has positively renounced his as she ran his eye over the page. 'Per- granddaughter-nothing would haps it is hardly worth your while gained by unearthing him." to hear the love letters. Such things are always alike"

He cleared his throat, and began: "My dear Nestorius, it is so like the old, old incidents shaken up in for when I can hope to meet you again. light. How much more likely that the old bag, and tumbling out hap. Not in the church, or on the way to the old brute is dead and rotten; or, hazard in acts or chapters. Nothing church. It is too dangerous. Nita if alive, so much more a brute by the of that kind for me, Lady Sophia. My never leaves me-and I had hard work passage of those nineteen years? Anynovel is a novel of character; my chief to prevent her telling my father of how I shall not turn sleuth-hound incidents, well-a little look in the our last meeting. I will be in the and hunt him. What are you going twilight eyes meeting eyes across the garden between seven and nine to do with those copies?" deck of a steamer off Alexandria or o'clock every evening. If there might in a church at Venice, an angry word be a chance that way, it would be so in the second volume, a fan dropped sweet to see you again, just for a and picked up in the third. Those are few minutes by the little door, while the three contral points, the three Nita has gone into the house on some piers of my bridge; for the rest, touch errand. You know how watchful she derstand." and go, Lady Sophia, all touch and is, and how she always brings her sewgo. Wit, satire, sentiment, intro- ing out into the garden to sit with Spanish. It has always been a respection, self-communing sparkle, and me. There is so little for her to do proach to me that I am not able play of words lighter than thistle- in the house of an evening. My father to read Don Quixote in the original." is almost always out of doors at his

club or with his friends. How can you talk of your shabby pains." coat, dearest? Do you think I value people for their coats? And if you were smitten by that girl of my brovery pleasant to the lady. She was are ever so poor now, you, who are so ready to forgive him directly, to for- clever, are sure to be rich some day. give and adore him to her utmost cap— Of if you are always poor, it will am deeply interested in her fate. dark. It will turn white, like the by deposits in the urine after it has ont make no difference to me. Nita Good-might."

nothing left to keep the earth's crust in mos.

dark. It will turn white, like the by deposits in the urine after it has ont medicines; hosides that I was unturn to his allegiance, throw himself says my father has a large fortune; at her feet and own her as the mis- but I have never seen any sign of riches in our house. We have no fine "Surely I am good enough even for furniture, or plate, or jewels-only asperating about that man," he said the things my great-grandfather had to himself as he lighted his candle. He drew his creepie stool a little before the Peninsular war. We have "I should like to know whether he is nearer to the fair tea maker, bring- all we want, but no more. If you or is not in love with Lady Carm-

riage, I should be the happiest in Madrid.

Yours everlastingly, INEZ.

The next letter was more impassioned and glanced at past meetings, at vows interchanged. The next, again, was a still wilder outpouring of a girl's all-confiding love more talk of the father's consent. All was surrendered to the lover. "Whatever may be your fate I will share it. I will go with you to the end of mar the abode of dulinesss for your the world!" A second suitor had ap put to eminent men of science. lady visitors, while you men are all peared, of noble family, wealthy, midshooting pheasants? I walked over to dle-aged, favored by the father. The the hall and had a chat with mother, girl shrank from him with loathing, Dr. T. J. See, the well known as-I hurried back across the fields to be flung, herself into the arms of her in time for tea-and oh, by the by, out-at-elbows 'Englishman. 'Take the sun which has already expended Mr. Nestorius, I saw you walking in me away from them, dearest! she the park with Lady Eashmar's read. pleaded. "or my father will make me exhausted its other ninth, and will was some one else I cared for. He can lock me up. No, dearest, I am center of the solar system. not afraid of poverty with you"

The last of the four letters was the briefest, arranging a rendezvous which was to end in an elopement. Then after an interval of two years,

came the father's letter-curt, icv.

You chose your own path in defiance of me. You may keep it. Whether it lead you to the gutter or the

sign of approaching senility. "Why bread. You are better off than you You tell me that a child will soon be born to you and that you would win my forgiveness for yourself and bespeak my love for that unborn child. I answer you that I have plucked you out of my heart, that you are for me neither loved nor hated, but non-existent. As for your unborn child, there is no beggar's brat about to be spawned in the alleys of this city whose birth will be more indifferent

> X.O. These initials were the only signature. The only address was Madrid. Difficult to trace the writer by such indications.

"Are the language and orthography those of an educated person?" asked Lashmar.

"Undoubtedly."

"And the date would agree with that of Stella's birth. Then we may dismiss the idea of a gipsy

"I think so. This "K. O. may have belonged to the professional or the commercial classes. There is nothing in the girl's letters to imply that that such a marriage would have been promotion."

"And this vindictive father is perhaps the original of the miniature," "Most likely," answered Nestorius, closing his portfolio. "The costume ment with an Englishman must have occasioned some talk at the time, even in so large a place as Madrid, and

out all about the business, I take it." "Very likely; but the game is not "N-yum, n-yum, n-yum l" began worth the candle. This vindictive eld

"Who knows? Nineteen years may have made a considerable difference "I will have every word," answered in his feelings. If he is still alive-a "And your plot-tell me your plot," Lashmar, "If you don't read them I lonely, miserable old man-he might shall think you don't know Spanish.' be very glad to acknowledge the "That is a challenge," said Nestor- granddaughter of whom he wrote in such brutal terms."

Alas! dear one, I know not where you to see the thing in that rosy

"They can have no interest for

"They can have none for you, as they are in a language you don't un-

"I am on the point of taking up letters, and keep the Spanish for my "Upon my soul one would think you

ther's." "I am not smitten by her, but I

"Good-night," answered Lashmar. moodily.

"There is something particularly ex-

To Be Continued.

3,000,000 YEARS BEFORE THE EX-TERMINATION OF MAN.

Famons Astronomers Tell How and When We Will Become Fxtinci-Earth May Strike an Object and Suddenly

The end of the human race! How and

tronomer. At the end of that time eight-ninths of its energy, will have marry that man. He raged with have burned out. The whole solar sysanger when I told him that there tem will then be bathed in perpetual night. The earth and its sister swore he would look me up till my planets will continue, however, to trawedding day. Take me away, Juan; vel on their orbits about the darkenmake me safely your wife before he led sun. The latter will still be the Man might continue to live in dark-

> ness if absence of his daylight supply were the only effect of the sun's burn-! ed to manufacture artificial daylight. twice as hot the earth might be even own heat the sun will begin to lose it. The cooling and darkening of the earth will then be gradual. There will be no sudden catastrophe marking the extermination of mankind and of other forms of life. the astronomer says. The great oceans will slowly freeze over. They will uiltimately become absorbed by the land, Later our atmosphere will cease to be vapor, and will lie like snow upon the earth's

"Are we not liable at some time to collide with another planet?"

"We find that the entire solar system is continually hastening in the direction of the constellation of the Lyre. That distant group of planets you can now see almost directly over- strike something so hot as to actually head, When we ultimately reach set it on fire. In such an event it them we shall probably pass through would never burn up entirely. It without damage. There is one chance would go from an incandescent to a many than going what you can do well in a million that we will strike one gaseous form, and ultimately cool of their number. Of course, if we down into a solid again. There is not hcollide with a body relatively great ing lost in nature. Fire could not exin extent it may sweep us entirely tinguish a planet. away from the sun. But it will take Yes, it is true that within milages and ages before we will ever lions of years we will either strike or reach this constellation. We are quiet- pass the constellation of the Lyrely moving through space, and if any sometimes called the Harp-now overdisturbing element appears directly in head at about 10 p.m. That group of our path astronomers will give the stars is an independent solar system our reaching it."

only enough oxygen in our atmosphere to earth. When we look at that sum to last manking some 300 years. How now we see it as it appeared in 1882

about that ?" the tropics. The jungles and thick us immediately into their combined vegetable growths of that belt will mass." flourish more and more, breathing out : Prof. W. J. McGeo considered the increased oxygen. Furthermore, the question from the standpoint of an ethnologist and geologist. I can see burning of coal, which process consumes vast quantities of oxygen, will in the next century supply us with our electricity. It will no longer be necessary then to consume extravagant quantities of oxygen.

Billions of years. Nothing more definite." Such is the lease given to earthly life by Astronomer George A. Hill. "The earth will ultimately become like the moon," he continued. Pain is nature's signal whereby she one suffering from irregularities of All water on ouri planet's surface warns man of approaching danger these organs. will gradually dry up. We will grow Few diseases are so dreadfully fatal as Don't engine that you recolder and colder as a result of a loss disorders of the kidneys and few are mening when you use Dr Ch colder and colder as a result of a loss disorders of the kidneys and few are new lived Pills. They are of our moist atmosphere, which acts, accompanied by more severe pains and well known as his great Recompanied as a blanket holding our heat back, discomforts. "I'll give you a franslation of these and preventing its escape into space! One of the most common symptoms ing dares of kidney disease on Our oceans will ultimately be dry ab- of kidney disease, is the smarting, and have come to be dry ab-Our oceans will ultimately be dry abysses. All animal and vegetable life scalding sensation when passing water which is likely to come very frequently which is likely to come very frequently and at inconvenient times. Then there is the dull, heavy, aching in the life most of the time for the back and down the life which is likely to come very frequently and at inconvenient times. Then there is the dull, heavy, aching in but the most of the time for the back and down the sands of our deserts, as it dries. Snow stood for twenty-four hours you may

"Isn't there a possibility that some greatest kidney cure—Dr. Chase's other calamity will meanwhile put an Kidney-Liver Pills. end to earthly life?"

might occur. The earth might lose its the road to recovery, for Dr. Chase's Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills and directly and pill dose, 25 cents a box, at all delior it might be converted into a burn- tain to prove of great benefit to any route.

body in space. A comet hitting us! of intelled the last hand, heng on No, I think that would have little et this plan would probably freeze to fect. A comet hitting the earth would death. I m age to age the quantity produce about the same relative shock of ce on the surface of our globe inas a feather hitting a base ball. A creases. Spreaver, the continents are comet is a gaseous substance. We growing and the oceans shrinking. went through the tail of one in 1883. The earth is gradually dying as well when Hawaii's volcano, went into as freezi when will it ultimately come about? eruption. The only effect was a haz-This startling question I have lately ness and red glare in the sky. We did the earth recze, and thus externing not seem to pass through this comet s ate, the haran race. As soon as man That man has but 3,000,000 more nucleus—its central mass. To all ap- becomes proughly dies distributed with years to live is the opinion given by pearances that apparently solid part the carries temprature, he will was immense. But when we came to change to suit his needs. A cenweigh it there was nothing to it. It tory hence man will live all over the seemed to be of the same material the earth's temperature, he will which composed the tail. There has syarm the temperature around him: never been a record of a comet sufficiently large to knock the earth out

"An immense meteor would be more likely to end the earth than would a comet of any size. Suppose our planet were struck by a meteor onehalf its size. There may be meteors of such magnitude. If there can be small ones there can probably be large | . We to not thus produce it beones. The largest which have struck ing out. Within 300 years, not to the earth within historic times have mention 3,000,000, man will have learn- weighed but a few tons. Such bodies falling upon a surface might kill one earth?"

Tathing more serious: The pact of our sun with some But when the sun's light goes out, or two persons. Nothing more serious its heat will go with it. The exter- would result. In space there have other star is more apt to mination of all earthly life, such as been meteors apparently as large as work have with earth then any othnow exists, will, in Dr. See's opinion, the great planet Jupiter. But they or possible event. The mass of the result from cold. At the present time have been probably less than 200 miles suit might be thus increased to such he thinks, the sun is growing hotter. away and something like ten feet in a degree that the earth's or at would sake of so English adventurer. You It probably will become twice as hot diameter. But if a large one should have to shange. If the sun came in "I am prepared to be interested;" -ps anox un esueduceer anox exet as it is now, before beginning to cool. knock the earth hard enough to contact with a body of equal 2 and But this does not mean that it will change its present balance, the sun's if its force of gravity or according give the earth twice as much heat great attraction would probably draw for the geth were thereby doubled, as it does now, or that in summer the our planet in. Then we would all be the whole solar system would probably thermometer will eventually go up to frizzled up. A meteor one-half the be broke up. To balance toll, the earth's size and weight might accom- earth have have to fly away to a plish this. It might take a year becooler than now. After doubling its fore we ultimately reached the sun, able, it would tumble into the enlargbut we would be destroyed before we en sun. We have lately learned that got half way there. It.

"At 45,000,000 miles, or half the dist is describing a path toward the contance from the sun, the earth's teni- stellation of the Lyre. Now: the othperature would rise poss(bly to 500 or er apparently fixed suns or sine in 600 degrees. No life could withstand the sky be in motion also, but each such heat, of course. Should the earth is going to its own direction, and adstay at this distance a year would be its own that of speed. These move. but three months long. Our velocity monts threaten collisions from time would be four time as fast as it is to sime which collisions have appernow. We would burz around at the ently resulted within the heteric rate of 12 miles a second. Our build- period. Tohn Elfreth Walk as. ings and all loose objects would probably be thrown oft into space by certrifugal force. As for ourselves and all other animate objects, they would !

all have been obliterated by the hear "I said that the earth might also

signal many centuries in advance of from fifty-five to sixty billion miles away. It takes a ray of light eigh-"Lord Kelvin thinks that there is teen years to travel from their sun If it should suddenly disappear to-"Plant life will continue to convert | night we will continue to see it until our carbonic acid gas back into oxy- 1918. Whether any of the planets in gen, as it has done for ages: The this constellation would strike the earth's vegetation will not decrease earth before they would hit the sun as civilization advances. The destruc- or other planets of our solar system tion of our forests will never be ef- would depend upon what side of the fected so long as man's intellect im- sun we happened to be on at the time proves. Such vandalism will be pro- If Neptune, Uranus, Saturn, Juniter hibited by law and some day and man- or Mars were on the side nearest the kind will see the necessity of replant- approaching constellation they might ing mighty forests. Moreover, I think encounter one of its planets four that the human race will always cen- months before the sun would. If our ter in the temperate zones. Popula- sun should strike the great sun of the tion will never materially increase in Lyre, the shock would probably throw

END OF THE HUMAN RACE ing ball, glowing with fire. Either et., ne probability of man's ultimare and feet must result from the earth's or nihilation from any cause, said he the sun's collision with some other "Were and not for the great factor

in the tribes he will cool it

Intell will abstract water from of position. The largest would give too rocks ter they have absorbed all us a red sky, nothing more serious. of the each's moisture. We can extract walk from rock now but the process in both expensive and unnece sary. the oxygen in the air bacornes explanated, intellect will make spide me Do we not manufacture also can be extracted from cause the process doesn't pay now." Can yes think of no sudden catas-

greater distance or, as is more probthe sun is not stationary, and that is

APHOA:SMS. Tyrande Is always - waskings -

Patience is bitter, but its from is sweet.-Beusseau. A well-bred min is always a - Abla

and configuration .- Montaigns Longfellow.

The soler of the solis as a sindy the author of the whole have if

mischief. Demosthenes. Of all the faculties of the mind memory the first that to a same

and the first that dies -this Where there is the most love it wil. there will be there the tries and most en grd ph Paul p. Said hey.

Look whin. Within to jain of good; and it will over built p if then walldig. - Marens Aureins The morpse man tak's both acres and selfish views of life and the world. he is either envious of the hope to of piners, or denies its example C

Simmons. Seking on thy aquis por me age, united thyself what here's fam. cans Blow well that who more holy territor of Mercyc have her the value of hearts-Oman Kan vim

TRUTH AND POETRY Here lie the maiden compare y for-

Who married the masher of shoren and shorn, Who earlied not a sou from the day

And liver in the house the he l'i

he was born.

cease. Solar engines, storing up vast quantities of the sun's heat, will with-

Warn You Against the Most Breadfully Fatal of Disorders. You Can be Curred by Fromptly Using Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

Take one pill at a dose, and in a sur-"There are two catastrophes which prisingly short time you will be far on | ed and."

have made some of the most -

ont medicines; bosides that I was under greatment by four different docwill cease. There will be no electricity, be sure that you are a victim of tors lauring the time and not able 2 no thunder storms? kidney disease and should not lose a work. I began to take Dr. Chart work. I began to take Dr. Chee's single day in securing the world's Kidney-Liver Pills and since that interhave been working every day, aithough a man negrly 70 years of age Dr. Cha es Kidney-Liver Pills have our

present position in the solar system promptly on the kidneys, and are corders, for Edmanson, Bates & Co., To-

·· SUFFICIEN Rev. Dr. Talm

A despatch from Washington

-Rev. Dr. Talmage preached from following text:-"Sufficient un day is the evil thereof."-Matt. The life of every man, woman thild, is as closely under the pare as though such person we only man, woman, or child. The no accidents. As there is a of storms in the natural wor there is a law of trouble, a law aster, a law of misfortune; hu majority of the troubles of imaginary, and the most of. anticipated never come. At any there is no cause of complaint a God. See how much he hath make thee happy: his sunshine the earth with glory, making I for the storm and halo for the tain, greenness for the mose, or the cloud, and crystal for t low, and procession of ba flame through the opening g the morning, chaffinelies to rivers to glitter, seas to characteristics springs to blossom, and overpo all other sounds with its and overarching all other splended its triumph, covering up beauty with its garlands at !lashing all other thrones a dominion-deliverance for a os through the Great Redeemer. I discourse this morning of

of borrowing trouble. First: Such a habit of wat neart is wrong, because it p into a despondency that man for duty. How poorly prepared for

duty is a man who sits to the gloom of expected in. If he pray, he says,"I do no shall be answered." If the says, "I expect they will money." You will have nothing but cane in the future if your

watch for it. How h. catch the right kind of feat ranges his line, and hook! to catch lizards and waters Hunt for bats and hanks and hawks you will dit. robin-redbreasts, and you robin-redbreasts. Onl eagle and an owl got into the tle; the eagle, unused total was no match for an owl, ment at home in the decke. the king of the air fell but the morning rose, and will the eagle; and the owis, and the hawks, and the bats comtime to the combit; now 11 In the sunlight, with a - 100 talons and a great ciy, clair, and his enemies, with thers and splashed withir bl bled into the thickets. Y. children of light, sin, the respondency you will have the against your enemies that t from boneath, but, thusting and standing in the chasers promises, you shall "renes, ,

like the eagle." Again: The habit of ad trouble is wrong, because : tendency to make its over ent blessings.

To slake man's thirst, ' A.

cleft, and cool waters les

brimming cup. To feel a

the fields bow down with wheat, and the cattle h with full ulders from the tures to give him make, at ards yellow and repen, ga juicy fruits into his lap. amid such exuberance nian should growl as in a a soldier on half rath with on short allowances i. should stand neck-d ep a looking forward to fun. should feel the strong putmarching with regularer all the avenues of life, blo at the expected just ness; that a man sh all pleasant home, fearfaless want will some rest broken window-sash gow and pour hunger into ren that a man fed by him on the harvests should exp that one whom Gol los rounds with benedies at tends with angelie e-e-eover with more than mad / ness, should be looking to of tears! Has God been thee, that thou should step ing? Has his stinte t thy be he covered thee with reasest spread traps for thy feet at thy cup, and rasped the wrecked thee with storm and ered upon thee with whit calamity? It is high teme y to thank God for present Thank Him for your chil re-

> Again : The habit of horney ble is wrong, because the I sufficiently taxed with tris tees that you meed a certain

> buoyant, and bounding.

Him for your home, with i

of song, and laughter. As

for morning light and ever