rock.

cloud-land far awry.

she has inadvertently declar st to be hateful

to her, because presently he says, simply, if

exhibition of yourself and saying many rude

things. I don't in the least mind telling

you," says Miss Beresford, coldly, "that I

"Oh, Monica! is this truct" asks he, in an

"Quite true. But you don't deserve

"My darling! My 'one thing bright' in all

head with an impatient gesture; "I have

"Now, you musn't say naughty words,"

interrupts she, with an adorable smile, "You

This is how she puts it, and he is only too

content to be friends with her on any terms,

"And you will promise me never to be

This is a bitter pill, considering his former

declaration that jealousy and he had noth-

ing to do with each other; but he swallows

"Never. And you-you will never again

"I gave you no cause now." says the dar-

ling, shaking her pretty head obstinately

And he doesn't dare contradict her. "You

proachfully, "and at such a time, too, -just

"Good?-your aunts -" eagerly, "have re-

"Oh, no! oh, dear, no!" says Miss Beres-

ford. "They are harder than ever against

you. Adamant is a spange in comparison

with them. It isn't that; but Madame

her next Monday for a week!-there!"

to such abominable tyranny?"

Priscilla and Madame O'Connor?"

every one of the seven days."

quickly, doubtfully,-

"Without a murmur.

"But they are all alike."

"Who?-women?"

O'Connor has asked me to go and stay with

"N-o. Aunt Priseilla made it a condition

"I thought she had a soul above that sort

"Old women, I mean," with anxious haste,

"And, after all, it is good news," says

"That's just what I thought," says Moni-

She refuses to answer this in any more di-

rect manner that her eyes afford, but says,

"It won't be deceiving Aunt Priscilla,

know she cannot compe! Madame O'Connor

tarant, -a Bluebeard in petticoats; but--"

the old beech, half leaning against it upon

one arm which is slightly raised. She has

no gloves, but long white mittens that reach

above her elbow to where the sleeves of her

gown join them. Through the little holes

"Those five little rings," says Desmond,

"They didn't all go to market," demurely.

"So he did. I remember now. Somehow

"Then, according to Hood, you must be

"I couldn't," says Desmond, turning, and

looking into her beautiful eyes. "My heaven

he had said hour he would have been closer

A soft, lovely erimson creeps into her

cheeks, and her eyes fall before his for a

moment. Then she laughs, -a gay, mirth-

"Go on about your little pigs," she says,

"About your rings, you mean. I never

look at them that I don't begin this sort of

thing." Here, seeing an excellent oppor-

tunity for it, he takes her hand in his. "This

little turquoise went to market, this little

pearl stayed at home, this little emerald got

glancing at him with coquettish mirth.

nearer heaven than you were a moment

"One of them, I know, stayed at home,"

it makes me feel like a boy again."

Monica; so he becomes silent.

nary air upon the tree's bark.

rings attract his notice.

to the truth.

some er cheese '

"No, no; you must not abuse her," says

ca, ingenuously, with a sweet little blush.

"Ah! you wished for me, then?"

with regard to my going that you shouldn't

give me cause, darling, will you?"

been so wretched all this evening? I have

suffered the tortures of the-

are glad I have forgiven you?"

to show further fight.

"More than glad."

calous again?"

lented—they——'

"And me too?"

be there.'

"Yes.

his beloved.

a little warmly,

can't bear him.'

agony of hope.

should say it.

worry me any further about Mr. Ryde."

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But the fun is all out of Terence by this time, though Olga is so convulsed with laughter that it might have been the best story on record, which somewhat astonishes though it consoles Terence, as when his funny incident is related in a carefully modulated voice, and with a painful precision, it strikes even him as being hopeiessis uninteresting. However, Mrs. Bohun certainly enjoys it, or something else, perhaps; fortunately, it never occurs, to Terry to ponder on the "something else."

"Hermia, Olga, come now, my dears. You can't stay here for ever, you know," cries Madame O'Connor's loud but cheery voice. "It is nearly seven. Come, I tell you, or the Misses Blake, our good friends here, will think we mean to take up our residence at Movne for good."

"Oh, now, Gertrude!" says Miss Priscilla, much shocked. But Madame O'Connor only laughs heartily, and gives her a little smart blow on the shoulder with her fan. Olga laughs too, gayly, and Hermia lets her lips part with one of, her rare but perfect suites. If she likes any one besides Oiga and her children, it is bluff and blunt old Gertrude

One by one they all walk away, and presently Moyne is lying in the dying sunshine, in all its quietude, with never a sound to disturb the calm of coming eye but the light rustling of the rising breeze among the ivyleaves that are clambering up its ancient

Kit and Terry are in doors, laughing merrily over the day, and congratulating themselves upon the success it has certainly

"Yes. I do think, Penelope, they all enjoyed themselves," says Miss Priscilla, in high giee; "and your claret-cup, my dear, was superb.

But Monica has stolen away from them all. The strange restlessness that has lain upon her all day is asserting itself with cruel vigor, and drives her forth into the shadows of the coming night.

All day long she has struggled bravely against it; but, now that the enforced necessity for leveliness is at an end, she To be found in this city and at grows dreamy, distraite, and feels an intense longing for solitude and air. Again she walks through the now descried garden, where the flowers, "earth's loveli-

est," are drooping their sweet heads to seek their happy slumbers. Past them she goes with lowered head and thoughts engrossed, and so over the lawn into the wood beyond. Here Coole and Moyne are connected by a high green bank, that in early spring is studded and diamonded with primroses and now is gay with ferns. Not until she has reached this boundary does she - remember how far she has come.

She climbs the bank, and gazes with an ever-growing longing at the cool shade in the forbidden land, at the tall, stately trees, and foxgloves nodding drowsily.

It is a perfect evening, and as yet the god of day-great Sol-riding the heavens with triumphant mirth, as though reckless of the SPECIAL OFFERING : death that draweth nigh. Shall be not rise again to-morrow morn in all his awful maj esty, and so defy grim Mars? It is, indeed one of those hours when heaven seems nearest earth, "as when warm sanshine thrills wood-glooms to gold," and "right-

Conscience forbidding her, she abstains from entering these coveted woods, and, with a sigh, seats herself upon the top of the green bank

"Monica!" says a voice close to her, yet not close to her,-mysteriously, far up in mid-air, right over her head. She starts! Is the great woods peopled with satyrs, ouphs, or dryads?

CHAPTER XVI. It is not a tender voice. It is not even a gentle or coldly friendly voice. It is, when all is told, a distinctly angry voice, full of possible reproaches and vehement upbraid-

Monica, -raising her head with extreme nervousness, has just time to see Mr. Desmond in the huge fir-tree above her, before he drops at her feet. "What on earth were you doing up there?"

asks she, thinking it wise to adopt the offensive style, so as to be first in the field, feeling instinctively that a scolding is coming and that she deserves it. "Watching you," returns he, sternly, nothing dismayed by her assumption of injured

nnocence, so her little ruse falls through. "A charming occupation, certainly!" says Miss Beresford, with fine disgust. "I climbed up into that tree," says Mr. Desmond, savagely, "and from it saw that

you have spent your entire day with that idiot, Ryde." "Do you think," says Miss Beresford, with awful calm, "that it was a gentlemanly thing to climb into that tree, like a horrid school-boy, and spy upon a person?-do

"I don't," vehemently; "but I was driven to it. I don't care what is gentlemanly. I don't care," furiously, "what you think of me. I only know that my mind 's now satisfied about you, and that I knows a are We show a large and complete the most abominable flirt in the world and that you ought to be ashamed of yours-If." "Well, I'm not," with great self posses-

"The more to your discredit! That only means that you are bent on doing it again.' "I shall certainly always talk to any man who talks to me. That is," cattingly, "any man who knows how to conduct himself

with propriety." "Meaning-I don't, I suppose?" "Certainly you don't." "Oh, if it comes that," says Desmond, in

nothing is left to expect but the deluge in

And, in effect, it comes. Not, as one has been taught to expect, in sudden storm, and wind, and lightning, but first in soft light drops, and then in a perfect downpour, that bursts upon them with passionate fury. As they are standing beneath a magnificent beech, they get but a taste of the shower in reality, though Desmond, seeing some

huge drops lying on Monica's thin white gown, feels his heart smite him. "Here, take this," he says, roughly, taking off his coat and placing it round her Also Beaded Fringes and Gimps,

"No, thank you," says Miss Beresford,

"You must," returns he, and, to his surprise, she makes no further resistance. Perhaps she is cowed by the authority of his manner; perhaps she doesn't like the rain-Encouraged, however, by her submission

to a further daring of fortune, he says, pres-"You might have given Cobbett a turn, I think, instead of devoting yourself all day to that egregious ass," "He prefers talking to Hermia. I suppose

you don't want me to go up to people and ask them to be civil to me?" "Some other fellow, then," "You would be just as jealous of him, whoever he was."

"I am not jealous at all," indignantly. "I only object to your saying one thing to me and another to him." "What is the one thing I say to you?"

This staggers him. "You must find me a very monotonous person if I say only one thing to you al-

ways." "I haven't found you so." "Then it-whatever it is must be one of the most eloquent and remarkable speeches upon record. Do tell it to me." "Look here, Monica," says Mr. Desmond

autiously evading a reply; "what I want to know is-what you see in Ryde. He is tall, certainly, but he is fat and effeminate, with 'a forehead villainous low." "Your own is very low," says Miss Beres-

"If I thought it was like his, I'd make INSPECTION INVITED. away with myself. And you listen to all his stories, and believe them every one, don't believe a single syllable he says; never met such a bragger. To listen to him, one would think he had killed every tiger in Bengal. In my opinion, he never ever scree one."

"Les absents ont toujours tort," quoter she, in a low, significant tone. This is the finsihing stroke. "Oh! you defend him," he says, as sayagely almost as one of thosa wild beasts he has just mentioned. "In your eyes he is a hero, no doubt. I dare say all women see virtue in a man who talks as familiarly of

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smerald-I mean, a p'g-wouldn't like cheese." part, and she bursts into a merry laugh at

the absurdity of the thing. She is such a child still that she finds the keenest enjoy-"Never mind," with dignity, "and permit the Galvanie Soles to any one troubled me to tell you. Miss Beresford, that open | with cold feet, and believe they will preridicule is rude. To continue; this little | vent a great many complaints which this ring got-he got-what on earth did the little plain gold pig-I mean, ring-get?"
"Nothing. Just what you ought to get for such a badly-told story. He only cried,

Wee." "Oa, no, indeed. He sha'n't cry at all. I won't have tears connected with you in any one having tried "TRABERRY." the new toi-

"I don't think maids of thirteen, as a rule | She glances up at him with eyes half shy, talk much of puppy-dogs. I'm sure Kit and pleased, and with the prettiest dawning doesn't," says Monica, provokingly. "And smiles upon her Hps. really, to do Mr. Ryde justice too, I never He-clasps the slender fingers closer, as heard.him mention a roaring lion. Perhaps though loath to past with them, and yet his

you are thinking of Artemus Ward's lion tale has come to a climax. your someb dy." She smiles in a madden- I had better tell it allover again, "he says, with a base assumption of virtuous regret. "I am the mig of Ryde," says Dismond. "No. I would not give you that trouble "I am t'alle ing too, how mad I was when I for the world," she says, mischievously, and thought you that me better than him. I then the dawning suite, widens, blightens did thlak it, you know; but now the delustinto some thing indescribable, but perfect.

sion is dispelled: It is plain to me you are Oh. Monica, I do think you are the sweetinfatnated a but this fellow, who is 'per- lest tring on earth," says the young man, fumed like a millimer and hasn't two ideas | with solden fervid passion; and then all at once, and for the first time, he puts out his "I can't think where you find all your larms into welvened draws her to him. She quotations, say ... a work now seri- colors, still smile however, and, after a ously and different ask you not to | brief hesitation, moves slowly but decidedly back from him.

"You don't hate in to touch you, do you?" "You are madly in love with him," says as he, rather 1 . It. Desmond, choking with rage. Upon which "No, no, indee " " ny lead . " Only-Miss Beresford loses the last remnant of her Only what, or I say

patience, and very properly turns her back "I herely know what, she answers, look-The rain has ceased, but during its reign ing bewildered. "Perhaps because it is all has extinguished the dying sun, which has so strange. Why should you love me better disappeared far below the horizon. A great | than any one? - and yet you do," anxiously, hush and silence has followed the petulant | "don't you?" burst of storm, and a peace unspeakable lies The innocently-expr ss al a rxiccy makes

on all the land. There is a little glimpse of his heart glad. the ocean far away beyond the giant fires, "I adore you," he says, fervently; and and one can see that its waves are calm, and I then, "Did no one ever place his arm round the fishing-boats upon its bosom scarcely | you before, Mon ea?" He finds a difficulty in even soling this. The grass is bending still with the weight "Oh, no," with intense surprise at the ques-

of the past rain, and a plaintive dripping tion, and a soft, quick glance that is almost from the trees can be heard, -a refreshing shamed. "I never had a lever in my life sound that lessens the sense of heat. The until I met 'you. No one a vept you ever small birds stir cozily in their nests, and now | told me. I was pretty. The first time you said it I went home (when I was out of and then a drowsy note breaks from one or your sight," reddening, "I had all the reanother; a faint mist, white and intangible, rises from the hills, spreading from field to of the way) and looked at m self in the glass. Then," naively, "I knew you wer right. Still I had my doubts, so I fulled K t "The earth, with beaven mingled, in the shadowy twilight lay. and told her about it; and she," laughter And the white sails seemed like specters in a "said you were evidents a person of great

discrimination, so I surjes d she agreed "Ah! you don't like me to say that," says Desmond, unappeased by the beauty of the "She could hardly do off erwise," growing night; "but-+" "Yet, sometimes," says Monica, with "Do not say another word," says Monlea, heshation, and with a downerst face, "I imperiously. The moon is rising slowly,have thought it was all more fancy with slowly,—and so, by the bye, is her temper. you, and that you don't love me roully." "I forbid you. Here," throwing to him his

"My sweetheart, what a cruel thing to say coat; "I think I have before remarked that the rain is quite over. I am sorry I ever "But see how you scold me! Unly now," touched anything belonging to you." nervously plucking little lats of back from Desmond having received the coat, and put himself into it oace more, silence en-Yes, sometimes I doubt you. sues. It does, perhaps, strike him as a "I wonder where I leave to unit r doubt? I to retail the hopeful sign that she shows no haste to re-Yet I must convince you. What shall I turn home and so rid herself of a presence

friend- is in Juli glory to again; that I big MACK'S MAGNETIC at the reservoir "There is no use in our quara ing like Oh, swear not by the more the inconthis. I won't give you up without a further stant in on, lest that the bas prove likestruggle, to any man. So we may as well wise variable," quotes she, archiv; "and have it out now. Do you car for that for yet." with a sudden change of mood, and a certain sweet gravity, "I do not mist ust "If you had asked me that before, -sensi-

"the charte Diamenty above the lover-

bly,-you might have avoided making an She leans slightly toward idea, and, onagain. She is full of pretty tender ways and womanly tricks, and as for the best time for displaying them, for this she has a

Desmond, clasping her hand, looks at her keenly. His whole heart is in his eyes. "Tell me that you love me," he says, in a low, unsteady voice. this hateful world! Oh!" throwing up his "How can I? I don't know. I'm not sure," she says. fulleringly; "and," shrinking a little from him, "it is growing very

> firs. I must go hom ." "Tell me you love me first." "I must not love you; you know that," "But if you megat, you could?"

late. See how the moon has i's in above the

"Then I defy all difficulties, -aunts, and friends, and lovers. I shall win you in the teeth of all barriers, and in spite of all opposition. And now go home, my heart's dedelight, my best beleved. I have this assurance from you, that your lips have given me, and it makes me confident of victory." | SAVE. "But if you fail," she begins, nervously; but he will not listen to her. "There is no such word," he says gayly.

"Or, if there is, I never learnt in Goodnight, my love. "Good-night." A little frightened by his happy vehemence, she stands well away when I was dying to tell you such good from him, and holds out her hands in farewell. Taking them, he opens them gently and presses an impassioned kiss on each little pink-tinged palm. With a courteous reverence for her evident shyness, he then

releases her, and, raising his hat, stands

motionless until she has sprung down' the bank and so reached the Moynefield again Then she turns and waves him a second and last good-night. Returning the salute, he replaces his hat on his head, and, thrusting his hands deep in his pockets, turns toward Coole-and dinner. He is somewhat late for the latter, but this troubles him lit-"The- And Madame O'Connor gave in the, so set is his mind upon the girl who has just left him.

Surely she is hard to win, and thereforehow desirable! "The women of Ireland," says an ancient chronicler, "are the coyest the most coquettish, yet withat the coldest and virtuousest women on earth." Yet, allowing all this, given time and opportunity. "You mean to tell me that I am like Aunt | they may be safely wooed. What Mr. Desward musings to-night, is the fact that to seeing a cloud descending upon the brow of him neither time nor opportunity is afford-

> "She is a woman, therefore to be won." but how is his courtship to be sped, if thorns are to beset his path on every side, and if persistent malice blocks his way to the feet of her whom he adores? He reaches home in an unenviable frame of mind, and is thoroughly unsociable to

Owen Kelly and the old Squire all the even-Next morning sees him in the same mood; and, indeed, it is about this time he takes to imagining his little love as being a hapless prisoner in the hands of two cruel ogres (I your coming there to visit, will it? She must am afraid he really does not apply the term "ogres" to the two old ladies of Moyne), to forbid you the house. And she knows and finds a special melancholy pleasure in perfectly you are an intimate friend of depicting her as a lovely captive condemned to solitary confinement and dieled upon "Of course she does. She is a regular old | bread and water.

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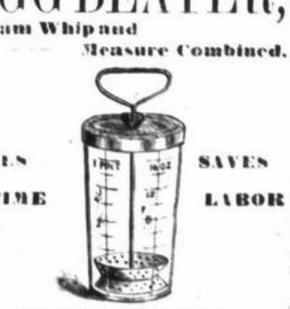
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