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"Flatterers" courting. But women ought to under-stand each other best; they had a cir-cumlocutory way of motion to a cir-The Shadow of

the Future.

to dress for dinner. CHAPTER VII. "It was once one of the Comyngham residences," explained Mrs. Alwyn; "a Duvesne lived here for generations, I believe. But the last earl's grandfather lost heavily at cards, and I've been what seemed a mutual caress-"it's told that the Dale changed hands one night over the whist-table. Then it had two or three different owners, and cried Sydney. "I think it's work that came into the market when William people in the country ought to be alwas living at St. Edmund's; and so, as lowed. don't you. Major Villiers? Somehe got it cheap, he bought it. You how one feels the better for the very know he is always ready for a bargain touch of a flower;" and again she by road, river or rail." stroked the exquisite petals which she "And mostly makes a good thing of

had watched day by day from their it, I'll warrant," said the major; "well, first unfurling. it came in handily for you. Suits you "And are you of the same way of admirably. It's lucky Mr. Russell has | thinking?" the major asked his niece, not been tempted by a good offer to sell it over your head, for you would her face from the sun's slanting rays a fresh bone of contention. hardly like to leave it now." with a big straw fan: "Not under present circumstances."

"Oh. yes. I constantly feel a great Leonora among the flower-beds; "things have been too depressed about deliciously as this darling does!" and by letting that correspondence drop?" to please her. here for William to sell profitably. But stooping, her taper fingers dexterous-I've made him an offer for the Dale ly broke off the last lovely La France, myself, and hope he's likely to close and transferred it to the folds of lace with it. Of course it will lessen the meandering down her delicate pink few thousands I shall have left to live robe.

on when Sydney takes her own, But Sydney almost visibly winced, crim-I think it a desirable investment for soned, and without a word turned off me and Leonora." Then, after about to the house, Leonora looked after her the painful color deepened on her should soon come up with me. When two seconds' pause. "The Comyng- with an amused smile and a little hams. I believe, are anxious for it." shrug.

"And you mean they may have it | "Now, I suppose this was one of her with the young lady; if not, go with- pets, so I've offended her," she ex- after a feint of swallowing her food, out it! Well devised," laughed the claimed. "She is so odd. I do wish Syd- she got up, with a little apologetic gesmajor; but Mrs. Alwyn, vexed with ney could be more like us." herself for showing her cards so plain-"The same song her mother sings."

ly in a boastful moment, hurriedly thought the major, and, whether by accident or by design of Mrs. Alwyn to to contend with!" said Mrs. Alwyn,

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SOME GREAT MEN WHO FOUND

THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE TO

HAVE "TOO MUCH OF

A GOOD THING."

A man of discernment once de-

scribed the difference between a

honeycomb and a honeymoon as "One

is made up of many cells, and the

proverb, "Better a month of green

Certainly Thomas Carlyle had a

prevision of this truth when he con-

fessed shortly before his honeymoon

that he looked forward to it with

"horrible imaginings" and "present

fears." So obsessed, in fact, was he

by these forebording, that he begged

his bride to allow his brother John to

accompany them on at least a part of

the journey, a request to which the

-"I prohibit John from going with

If he could not have his brother's

support he must at least be allowed

some other solace. So he wrote to

his autocratic lady, "I shall only

stipulate that you will let me, by the

road, as occasion serves, as things

as things essential to my perfect con-

"MY HEALTH HAS SUFFERED."

And that his gloomy anticipations

"My health has suffered considerably

dear mother, that all will yet be for

cheese than a month of honey."

own making, a fulfillment of her own The Honeymoon whim, should take precedence with Sydney? Perhaps she will pay your Delusion verdict the compliment of attending to

"Well, all depends on what the wish, and the want, and the whim may be." returned the major, rubbing his hands] and endeavoring to give the matter a jocular turn with a genial "goodmorning" all round. "Details, if you please, ladies!" "Leonora particularly wants some

thing from Hemyngford, I asked Syd-is also happily expressed in the old ing at home to practice a so-called sing ing-class at the school-house at noon." "Well, with a little accommodation couldn't all be managed?" said the major (the man of war was a most thorough-going man of peace), "Couldn't the singing-class be put off or the drive take place in the afternoon? One or the other, surely." "I require my commission executed

before luncheon," said Mrs. Alwyn, very positively. "I should think the lady gave this uncompromising answer class can be put off if Sydney chooses." stand each other best: they had a cir-"Mamma," said the girl, speaking as if distressed at the altercation she was over trifles that he could not pretend driven to. "you know Mr. Vaughan fix-

to understand, and therefore had best ed noon-time; it is too late for me to not interfere with. So, contented, on alter it if I wished." the whole, with his confabulation, he "Then send and ask Mary Dacie t

joined the young people, while Mrs. take it." Alwyn with a satisfied smile went in "Her father is not so well. She has her hands so full I should be so glad if tentment." "Much of gardeners, either of you? I might ease her."

he questioned, noticing, as he neared "At my expense?" said Mrs. Alwyn, them, the delight on Sydney's mobile in deeply aggrieved tones. "Very well, face as she bent over a lovely half-op-Sydney; if you will not alter your were realized we know from the fact ened rose hent till it met her cheek in mind to oblige me, I cannot compel that "he spent most of his honeymoon you. Tell Hills"-to the servant just days in solitary wandering by the fine exercise for those who like it." entering with the post-bag-"the pony sad, autumnal sea," and ventilated the "Oh. will you persuade mamma so?"

will not be wanted this morning. Leo- woes of his unhappy position by writnora, darling, give your uncle a cut- ing to his mother: let. Sydney, if it is not too much trouble, will you pass Major Villiers the by the agitation and disquietudes of toast? You will excuse my opening such a change. But doubt not, my this, will you not?"

cheeks.

And the ruffled hostess proceeded to the best, and that the good purposes disinter the correspondence of the of Providence shall not fail to be ful-Dale from its leathern receptacle; filled in me." turning out, as luck would have it, Before Dr. Johnson had ridden with

among papers, circulars, and post- his bride a couple of miles from the who answered, gracefully sheltering cards, one communication that proved church his honeymoon was baptised in tears, for "Sir," he said, "my wife

"From that old man again," Mrs. had got into her head the fantastic no-Alwyn exclaimed, tossing a letter over tion that a woman of spirit should use replied Mrs. Alwyn, with a glance at deal the better for them, uncle, especi- to her younger daughter. "My dear, her lover like a dog." First he "rode ally when they match one's dress so dear Sydney, will you never oblige me too fast," then he "rode too slowly,"

(Sydney stooped over her coffee, an- "I was not to be made a slave of swering nothing, her letter held tight caprice," he declares, "and I resolved beneath the table). "Can you not, to begin as I meant, and I therefore knowing my distinct desire, leave this pushed on briskly till I was fairly out unanswered, and so put an end to what of sight. The road lay between two I disapprove?" hedges, so I was sure she could not

Sydney's head drooped lower, and miss it, and I contrived that she she did. I observed her to be in tears."

"No. mamma, I cannot," she said, her. Many another man of note has similarly found his month of koneymoon voice low, but quite clear; and then. bitter to the taste, from Walter Savage Landor, whose honeymoon was "one ture, and left the room before the tears long sequence of misunderstandings

gathering in her eyes had time to fall. and quarrels,' to Boswell, who found. may say, is a fairly common exper- ance again. The sort of thing I constantly have



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changed the subject. "Say nothing to Sydney of her little demonstrate the difficulties she had plaintively. "But don't let it spoil your fortune at present, please. There is no complained of, he heard during the breakfast, major. Take an egg."

need to explain till she is nearer of next few days a great deal more in the age-if on the eve of marrying, so same strain. "May I appeal to you, dear Major essayed to carry off some of the overmuch the better. I have thought it over, / Villiers," begged his hostess when he charge by a duiet talk with the rebel, and I am sure this is best for all of us, appeared at the breakfast-table next and to that intent, catching sight of Rupert included."

morning; "as quite one of ourselves, her an hour after at the furthermost The major could only bow acquiescence. For his own part he would have will you say whether her sister's wishend of the laurel hedge, wiring a rovpreferred the girl to know her pecuni- es, or I may add the wants of the ing honeysuckle to a rustic arch, he ary value before he sent his son a- house-hold, or an engagement of her

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followed her there, and with a fatherly pat on the shoulder, and just a touch of reproach in his manner, asked: "Well, now, young maiden mine, and why couldn't you manage to put off other friends and please that mamma of yours this morning? You'll forgive an old man for lecturing, won't you? but people of one house should try to be of one mind, my child!"

Uneasy at all this electricity in the

domestic atmosphere, Major Villiers

At the kindly expostulation, the gentle tone, Sydney dropped her coil of wire and turned impetuously round. "I do wish to, Major Villiers, and I do try. But somehow nothing seems to answer! I seem born to worry mamma. Ever since I was quite little it has been the same. Leonora has been her delight, her comfort. I, her annoyance, her trouble. Just as Leonora is so beautiful and I am not" (her listener turned his glance full on the supple young form, the flashing hazel-grey eyes, the red sensitive lips, the wellpoised head with coil after coil of dark locks twisted round, and quoth he to himself, "You're not so far off that, to my mind, my dear!") "so Leonora has naturally known how to please in everything, I"-she let fall her hands, extended in sorrowful eloquence-"in nothing!"

The soft-hearted major felt very unomfortable.

"Oh, come," said he, soothingly, "you are only feeling sore and unhappy now, Miss Sydney----'

"I wish you would call me Sydney," she interrupted.

"Well, Sydney, then; so you see things a little crookedly, perhaps. If you could have yielded this morning, matters might not have looked so gloomy. Now, would it not have been etter to neglect outsiders, even, and those commissions for your mother? Particular ones, perhaps, as she appeared to want them so much." (To b continued)

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