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Anold physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East Indimissionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suf-fering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full direc-tions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y. 10-19 eow

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WHAT IS THIS DISEASE THAT IS coming pron us.

Like a thief at night it steals in upon us una Like a thief at night it steals in upon us una wares. Many persons have pains about the chest and sides, and sometimes in the back. They feel dull and sleepy; the mouth has a bad taste, especially in the morning. A sort of sticky slime collects about the test. The appetite is poor. There is a feeling like a heavy load on the stomach; sometimes a faint all-gone sensation a the pit of the stomach which food does not a tisfy The eyes are sunten; the hands and feet become cold and feel clammy. After a while a cough sets in at first dry, but after a few months it is attended with a greenish coloured expectoration. The afflicted one feels tired all the while, and sleep does not begin to afford any rest. After

and sleep dose not seem to afford any rest. After a time he becomes nervous, irritable, gloomy, and has evil forebodings. There is a giddiness, a sort of whirling sensation in the head when a sort or whiring sensation in the leads where rising up suddenly. The bowels become costive; the skin dry and hot at times; the blood becomes thick and stagnant; the whites of the eyes become tinged with yellow, the urine is scanty and high-coloured, depositing a sediment after standing. There is frequently a spitting up of the food, sometimes with a sour taste, and sometimes with a sweetish taste: this is frequently attended with palpitation of the heart; the vision becomes impaired with spots before the eyes; there is a feeling of great prostration and weakness. All of these symptoms are in turn present. It is thought that nearly one-third of our population has this disease in some of its varied forms. It has been found that medical men have mistaken the nature of this disease. Some have treated it for a liver complaint, others | because Miss Fitzpatrick nappens to be | presence of Captain Courtney. or kidney disease, etc., etc., but none of the hysterical," frowned Lady Ahria. "He is | With swift revulsion of feeli or kidney disease, etc., etc., but none of the various kinds of treatment have been attended with success, because the remedy should be such as to act harmoniously upon each one of these as to act narmoniously upon each one of these organs, and upon the stomach as well; for in Dyspepsia (for this is really what the disease is) all of these organs partake of this disease and require a remedy that will act upon all at the same time. Seigel's Curative Syrup acts like a charm in this class of complaints, giving almost grateful to you. I think you will meet the same time of the same time of the same time. The following latters from immediate relief. The following letters from chemists of standing in the community where they live show in what estimation the article is

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AN UNHALLOWED UNION.

By M. L. O'Byrne.

CHAPTER XL .- Continued.

"So I had, but was taken prisoner by the ebels, and made my escape; rode hard for my life, and got up to town just an hour ago. ran over to see my mother, who told me of your arrival the day before yesterday, and here I am to bid you cead mills failthe. How are you all?" The question applied to all upon a fallen hero, a defamed rebel? He was addressed to Alphonse, who, conscious of was in such full awing of vigorous ruminahis eager gaze and the acrutinizing eyes of each turned upon her, stammered, confused his theme was quite disorganised by the and embarrassed:

gushed from her lips with a great sob-Poor Patrick is in prison."

"What for? There, don't weep ; -- just tell me, and I'll be off to him, the dear old fellow! Did he murder appone of consequence ?"

Don't make a fool of yourself, Maurice, United Irishman, which, of course, he will disprove and get off. Are you going so soon?'
"Yes," said O'Driecoll, "I'll go over, and
see what can be done. No joke to be thought

"Oh I thank, thank you, Maurice, I am so grateful to you. I think you will meet uncle there," said Alphonse, wiping her eyes. "He is just gone from this."
"So much the better: two heads are better

than one. Where are you going, Lady Alicia ?

"With you, part of the way; I want to speak to you, and the carriage is at the door," returned her ladyship, taking abrup leave of her friends, and accompanying him down the stairs.

"Well, lady, what have you to say to me?" said O'Driscoll, as he seated himself

beside her in the equipage.
"This. Maurice," she answered with offended mien, as she stared repreach'ully into his attentive face : "You astonished me, and others as well, by your total forgetfulness of your own dignity and self respect ;don't interrupt me, pray, I know what I am saying. The wild way you went on with that artful girl, little short of actual impropriety; I really thought you would have kissed her when she got up such a fit of sentiment to move your too impressionable heart. I'm sure if it's a fortune you want with a wife, you needn't stoop so low for it. You are not so fallen from high estate as to be content to descend to degra-

"My dear friend, you are talking Sanscrit to me; I don't understand what you mean," returned O'Driscoll, loftily. "I have not done anything that I am aware of improper or unbecoming the position in which I stand to Miss Fitzpatrick, with my engagement to whom my mother and her uncle are quite pleased.

to say you are engaged to her to Al-

"Yes, why not? I've been long attached toher; she is my beau ideal of human perfection and excellence; so far above me, that I had given over as hopeless striving for a prize a mon arch might have been blessed to win, when the mad exploit of Colandisk resulted in fortune being propitious, and disposing the peerless-

"Say no more ; that will do. I'm sorry for you. Are you not going to the prison !-I must go home," cried hely Alicia, inco-herently, 88, struck to the heart, she lay back in the carriage.

"I shall see you home," said O'Driscoll, mildly, and compassionating in his soul the disappointed being who made no effort to control or disguise her ill regulated feelings; for, though annoyed beyond measure, and entertaining but slight esteem, and no liking whatever, for the wilful woman who laid siege to capture his affection, it were not in human nature not to be flattered or softened by the extravagant predilection she manifested towards him. Leaving her at the door of her mansion, with a few courteous words of leave taking, from which she sullenly turned, muttering in tone loud enough for him to hear, 'You know I loved you, yet you spurned me for her. Await the issue; a Luttrell will not lightly brook scorn," the portal closed between them, and O'Driscoll, like one disburdened of an incubus, hastened with clastic step and buoyant spirit to visit the prisoner of Newvate.

CHAPTER XLIL

VICISSITUDES OF PORTUNE. The action in which Miles had last taken part previous to his being made prisoner in the routed division which was convoying the women and children of the insurgent camp to the Glen of Imaile, was the last of any man nitude that took place between the loyalists and the patriots, though several skirmishes on a lesser scale of desultory warfare continued to be fought between the contending parties. We have seen the grand historic figures of the nation arrayed in banded phalanx to achieve the noblest emprise that ever fired the enthusiasm and glorified the aspiration of human bosom, to break the strong arm of tyranny, and enfranchise an enslaved people. Large of mind, and endowed with qualities magnificent of heart and soul, yet, thwarted by adverse fate, their hands failed in grasping prize to which their high courage had tided them, and which farther and ever farther, like the mirage of the desert, recorded beyond their reach, till weary of pursuing the fair illusion, lofty hopes toned down, and glory's dream vanished in the mournful waking of busoms bold to dare, strong to endure, and now in storm, and cloud, and rain, breaking desolate and forlore while the world went its way rejoicing, shouring pmans for the winner, and recking not of the seed laid in the furrow, forgotten, but fructifying not the less surely, to burst forth in the coming spring with the guerdon of harvest, when they who sowed in tears shall reap in joy, and the crowned effort shall compensate for the futile

struggle ! Disen hanted of the brilliant romance that had but lately woven, in gorgeous tissue, au aureole of splendor about his life's morning, and sobered by the bue of the pate gray day lengthening before him, Miles, immured in the same prison with Father Fitzpatrick, but in a different and worse compartment, stoically resigned himself to his altered circumstances, and weaving in conjecture his probable future, into which the phantom visitant had given him a foresight. Yes; a transported felon he should lan-guish out the residue of his life in convict's

this brother High—he thought of him with a pany of regret, be otten of a strange, in stimutive consciousness that took the form of a presentiment that he should never see him more. They had, as was their wont, em-braced at their last parting, which was invested with a solemnity of unusual character; though few words were spoken between them, yet the pressure of each hand, and the the prestige look into each other's eyes, seemed now significantly portentous of the doom that when next those hands grasped and those eyes smiled greeting, it would not be in this world. Then came a thought of Florence Esmond, bunished as soon as presented; yet with a tear, welling up in his indignant eye. What demented his reason, under any circumstances, ever to think of her in connexion with his destiny? Would the highborn daughter of wealth and fashion-willing, indeed, to ally with a triumphant victor-waste a though. was in such full awing of vigorous rumina-tion upon the second day of his captivity, that grating of the pouderous key of the jailer in "I believe we are all well-but-but-" it | the lock of his prison door, and the consecutive entrance of a robust figure, whose proprietorahi, he could not, in the gloom of the dungeon, well make out, till a familiar voice, shouting aloud: "What a hole! worse than pigsty! Fetch a light! Oh, oh! I've broke my shin! Where is he? I say, Miles, come out here!" announced the

With swift revulsion of feeling, Miles came only in prison on some idle charge of being a forward, smiling: "Captain Courtney, I am glad to see you; this is, indeed, kind of you. Will you sit down?" yeu.

He offered the chair, but was repulsed with:

"No, you blockhead! Come along; I'm half stifled and whole poisoned. I had no idea it was such an inferno, or I had never dreamed of such a step: typhus will be the end, and my death will be at Percy's door. Hang you, will you come on; are you fettered or newitched?"

"But am I free to go?" cried Miles, look

ing at the jailer with doubt and wonder. "Oh, you dolt !--you thick-headed fellow Don't you see the warrant in my hand!' reared the captain. "Did you suppose we vere going to leave Percy in the hands of the Croppies when he could make an exchange, and Colandisk, writing letters all smirched with dirt and tears, conjuring us to pity him. Get on, get on; I cannot speak to you here ; it's getting late, and dinner will be overdone. Much you care, with your strong young stomach that could digest a saddle; but it destroys me, and that daft Florence Esmond goading me to come fetch you myself till she nearly drove me wild; as if the order sent to the juilor wouldn't, as I told her, have done as well; but I suppose she thinks you an idiot that would have lost your way in the streets. Oh, the blessed fresh air! Call the noddy. Good day, Mr. Turnkey; you'll not catch me going again in a harry to visit your dominion on any pretext. There, jump in ;and now, coachman, have us home in a

Milce, five minutes since a hopeless denizen of Newgate, awaiting a patriotic convict's doom, now rattling in a noddy along the Higgins, and we know that he conspires with thoroughfares of the gay thoroughfares of the gay metropolis to dine among an aristocratic Government circle, seemed to be illustrating | reagh sees him and hears his defence, it will eased."
in his own person the mythological fiction realised, of transmigration of souls: steeped in trance-like stupor, and as on uninterrupted. Mechanically, when the vehicle stoppe i, he alighted and followed on him to the drawingroom. Stolidly he surveyed, confounded, the well-dressed company that filled the saloon, heard Mrs. shake the senate up to remodel the constitu-Court wy's exclamation as she came forward to welcome him:

"Oh, dear me! I am so delighted to see suite and greeting of Florence Esmond, Alphouse Fitzpatrick, and Ethel, as though he felt it to be a dream which would disperse like many another in illusion. He gazed upon the scene, mute and rapt; nor was it till the cheery voice of O'Driscoll, ringing up the caught his abstracted ear, that he staire. seemed to rouse up and realise that he was master the tide of oppression that swept over not thralled by some glamour of magic. Maurice entered the saloon accompanied by Don Antonio. The eyes of all three met in

"I proclaim myself a convert henceforth to the dogma of whosoever inculcates a creed in the abstrace science of mystical lore, pate, stay the progress of the inevitable issue, capala, witchcraft, and sorcery of dreamland. cried O'Driscoll, as enthusiastically he rung the hand of Miles. "I was dreaming of you all last night that you were ploughing beside me, and so here you are. I did not know you had come to town till half an hour ago I met Marmion, who told me how matters stood, and that there had been an exchange of warriors. Would to heaven we could have exchanged at the Boyne; it had saved some trouble

since. "I," said Don Antonio, "am personally rejoiced at any event that affords me an opportunity of renewing acquaintance with a gallant friend, but for whose brave arm I had long since been a subject of Neptune's

realm." "Dinner!" shouted the pompous butler, as he threw open the door, and with stentorian voice, moved, as by the touch of a spring, all

the figures of the saloon into motion. "I was so very, very sorry for you," whis pered Florence Esmond, as she took Miles's proffered arm, and lingered aside till the enders of the cortege awept by. "But so thankful you have escaped all worse fortune, henceforth you must consider yourself our rostage."

Miles, gazing tenderly upon the noble, can did face, that yet shyly bent downward shunned his eye, replied earnestly : " Worse fate, indeed might have been mine; never theless, if I must congratulate my better fortune, chide not that some regret for our lost cause mingles in the cup."

There was no response ; Florence Esmond had too sensitive a perception not to understand. " What beroes feel,

When all but life and honor's lost,"

and that anything she could say on the subject might probe more acutely the arrow fesering in the sore wound, and in silence amid the general hum and buzz of conversa tion around them, they took their place at the board. Miles, notwithstanding the satisfaction of being seated next to Florence, feeling altogether out of his lattitude in the alien cir cle, where if some might pity, few would sympathise with him, and to be an object of commiseration, indebted to condescension for endurance, and by no means contributed to render him an agreeable guest, as haughtily adverse to the development of a taciturn, and on the qui vive to resent the robust frame, and sleek, comely physmallest expression of implied affront, he sat sternly, questioning himself: "What theory, compare, Miles, yourself, with Courtchains, and his dust should lie beveath the sat sternly, questioning himself: "What flowers of a foreign land. So for bimself he brought me here! Why did I suffer myself, like a mindless imbecile, to be

of a family circle, but to be the butt of criticism, and the scape goat of curiosity and scorn? Peace, peace the me see out the farce, and be more warm henceforth. It has been said, that in foreign countries the circle of private saloun, neutralizes all

the well-bred aristocratic home circle in a yet wider sense, for though the prestige and antecedents of the insurgent Miles O'Byrne were well-known to all present, no expression or gesture, even by implication, could be construed to convey the amallest sense of saything short of courteous deference to the stranger, and studious care to avoid any topic likely to hurt or embarass his feelings. In one case alone the free and easy deportment which, banishing constraint and awkward formality, promotes. genial intercourse, and establishes the most distant on a friendly footing of equality, was overdone by Lord Carhampton. who in his extreme empressement to honor the stranger. treated him with a ceremony that might befit a magnate of renown, but which, addressed to Miles, was fraught with a sense of hyperbole akin to satire, which if it did not discompose his self-possession cased in armor of proof, inspired him with a cordial dislike to the obsequious nobleman. The usual routine of the aristocratic dinner-table-soup, fish, wine, viands, entremets, courses—having been duly observed, seasoned with the prescribed condi ment of table talk and small chat while the desert was being set, Maurice O'Driscoll, now publicly recognized as accepted suitor by Alphonae Fitzpatrick, next to whom he sat, turning to Lord Carhamptor, who with side glance levelled from the corner of his eye, was watching Florence Esmond's graceful tact in heguiling her dull accosted him, saying:
"We saw the Chief Secretary this morn-

ing, Don Antonio and I, and it pleased the god to lend a propitious ear to our suit : he will spare an hour from press of business on Thursday next to give an audience to Fitzpatrick, '

Carbampton smiled, shrugging his shoulders, and elevating his eyebrows. " Tant mieux, but 1 understand from Claudius Beresford the favor, not selon regle, has been only granted because the priest intimated that he had something to say which he would only impart to the ear of Castlereagh."

I want to know what the young man has been imprisoned at all for? Such a den! I wonder he isn't dead by this, exclaimed Captain Courtney, who, very much prepossessed with Alphonse Fitzpatrick, felt some interest in her brother.

"He was accused upon some testimony uuknown to us, of being implicated in the society of the United Irishmen," said Don Antonio. Now I know that was not the case, My nephew never interfered in politics, he had enough to do besides."

"Why did you not press for a trial? That would have cleared up the matter one way or another," said Marmion Esmond. "We did so over and over," replied Don

Antonio. "But some underhand influence has been at work against us. Father Patrick took an active part in promoting the suppression of some bad houses in Crave-lane and elsewhere, supported by that infamous fellow hold of their victim; but, when Lord Castleresult in an order for his deliberation.

" Not without Claudius Beresford's sanction," said Carhampton. "You know that the Beresfords rule the Castle, and in the fact if spell bound in silence, he suffered the Beresfords rule the Castle, and in the fact the garculous captain's volubility to flow that your friend is a priest they will find matter enough to condemn."

"A fine state of things," exclaimed O'Dristion, and so adjust everything into order that justice may act untrammelled by judges, unwarped by juries, and uninfluenced by you, now that we are safe out of all the rabbles, and that overt crime, not proscribed fighting and dreadful work ;-it was shock | creed, may be the test of a man's deserts and assign the measure of his will our legislators learn to have common

> "You can expect no flower where there is no root," observed Miles. "Would the country have been plunged into all the hor-rors of insurrection had there been a few wise men at the helm of state to control and

it? Never." "Why was not the country amenable to the views of Government, and submissive recognition, and the greeting that ensued with the consciousness of friendly faces grouping round him, heaming houset sympathy and truth, restored him to his equilibrium. ment in voting for it? It has resulted but in their own punishment, and will not, I anticifor Castlereagh is inexorably bent on carrying his point, and many of the members are

> "It may be so," said Miles, bitterly, " for he has the powers of darkness leagued with him against us as well." "And I," cried O'Driscoll, wrathfully.

> reiterate, in the words of Plunket. that Parliament is incompetent to pass the Act of Union, that it will be a nullity, no man will be bound to obey it. Members are elected and appointed to exercise the functions of egislators, not to transfer them; they may extinguish themselves, but they cannot extinguish a national property. The suicide might as well hope that the act which destroys his body should annihilate his soul. It can never be, for all Castlereagh's audacious efforts." "I say, Miles," exclaimed Captain Court-

> ney, "now that you broached yourself the theme, and so loosed our tongues, how comes it that your invincible legions, after having wrestled with the might of England, and floored St. George and the dragon in so many a stiff bout, and, egad, making us quake up here like leaves on an aspen, that you collapsed all of a sudden, not victors, yet certainly not licked to any extent worth an ovation by our doughty heroes. Had you held out a month longer I might have thought of joining you. didn't you push on and make good your vaunt of some fine things—not for lack of impudent courage, I'll be sworn?"

> "Not from lack of courage," solemnly re-peated Miles, transported in thought from the scene to the ruin, and as he conjured up with vivid distinctness each circumstance of that night his visage unconsciously underwent a transformation of expression that riveted the notice of all, as he added, in tone hollow and mysterious: "No, not for lack of courage; victors, yet slaves and bondsmen in our own land !'

"Oh, bother !- no such thing, I gainsay that. What conundrum are you coining?" cried O'Driscoll. "That's the only thing I take exception to with Catholics-they are too ascetic: pardon my bluntness, ye of the ancient creed, whose other merit. I admit and extol; but I do and will mam ain that patronage, revolted his proud nature beyond | fish diet so frequently, and maceration of the flesh, is highly injurious to the spirit, and ney and me-choice specimens of the genus homo-and shout a credo in beef and mut-

ton Miles laughed, "I fear your theory would

be open to much conflicting argument; but there is one thing you must admit in favor of meagre diet—it does not impair muscle of meagre diet—it does not impair muscle and sinew, or the quality of nerve and valor in the soldier's bosom. I cite, for example, the thousands of our brave peasants who fought and bled in—our cause. No sons of luxury they, and yet I question if knightly arm might beast of equal prowess."

A/case in point not to be denied, said Contain Courtney good a Shoredly. "Many Captain Courtney, good to moredly. "Maurice, we are defeated, my boy, but, for all that, I'll be no convert to fish. Let us toast our absent friends," he added, as Mrs. Court-

ney made a sign for the ladies to withdraw. In those bygone days of convivial sociality, with the absence of the fair monitresses van ished all deferential restraint. The wine-cup circulated freely, and tongues, hitherto bound by conventional rule, let loose, gave voluble swing to the pent-up thoughts and feelings of the guests, according to each one's individual bias of mind or interest, and as these were various, and prone to collide in clash of argument, Miles O'Byrne, vigi. lantly on the watch for the first in dication of the current setting against him, took an early opportunity, pleading a head ache, to retire to the more genial sphere of the drawingroom, and the more attractive society of Florence Esmond, whose delicately. conveyed sentiments and candidly expressed sympathy had been very grateful to his heart, and revived the pleasureable consciousness that, affect whom it might, his altered fortune had wrought no change in her regard, and that the dream he had loved to cherish might, at least in part, be realized yet. Then—then—since face had denied the higher guerdon of his aspiration, in the Esmond's graceful tact in heguiling her dull devotion and love of a dear wife, and companion into light pleasant conversation, crowned with domestic felicity, in the seclusion of some Arcadian scene, might he not be happy?—ay, remote from the tumult of the world, make for himself and those be loved an Eden upon earth? Filled with thoughts like these, he entered the saloon, and with brow smooth and screne, and beaming eye, he seated dimself beside Florence, who made room for and beaming eye, he seated him on the divan and beckoned him, with a smile, to approach.

" I am so glad, so glad and so thankful to to you," he whispered, looking at Alphonse, who, engaged with Ethel and Mrs. Courtney at the piane, had not seen him enter, that what I had so wished has fallen out, and that Miss Fitzpatrick has consented to make my friend O'Driscoll happy, as he deserves to be."

Florence returned, smiling: "I had no hand, I may say, in the business, therefore I should accept your thanks upon a false pretence. Maurice came and irresistibly plead. ed his cause. He chose an auspicious hour, and his suit was granted. I am sure they will be very happy, their ideas and nature appear to be so similar;" and as she spoke, Al. phonse Fitzpatrick, turning to address some words to her, perceived Miles, and came forward, but had no time to express the words her sympathy and gratitude had suggested, when O'Driscoll entered, yearning for the more agreeable company of the fair function whom he joined, saying, with a laugh :

"I protest I am rather disposed, sheek whom I may by the assertion, to regard these duplicate kings, Pharaon and Herod, in the light of benefactors to the world; cereanly to construe mildly of their one of in decimating the male population of their day. Biess us ! what a reign or lunurious ease would be ours, if a me savagely beneficent potentate would arise in this or time, and, werding society, leave but a few privileged ones of our pugnacious sex to enjoy the beatitude of the peri's dominion-!

"Just like you, men, selfish ever!" ex claimed a voice that, jarring discordantly upon his nerves, disarranged every cherl that had quivered with harmonious music in his bosom; and O'Driscoll, taken by surprise, fixed a most dramatic stare upon Lady Alicia Luttrell, who, wholly unexpected, had just entered with her friend Miss Gabbins, who was in deep mourning for one of her sisters, who had been burned in Scullabort Barn by the rebels when they fired it, is fierce reprisal of the camp, with their wounded of two hundred men, being consumed to ashes previously by the royalist "Irrespective of our feelings," troops. "Irrespective of our feelings, continued the lady, smiling, half-satirically, half sweetly, " you would condemn us to the option of polygamy or celibacy, or even risk tearing out each other's eyes for sake of the dear creatures so limitedly sprinkled among us; but, the stars be blessed! there's no chance of your becoming such demigods, and we shall have enough to choose among," she glanced graciously at Miles. Then, familiarly taking Alphonse's hand and pressing it letween her own, with a smile that might have become a scraph, she added, looking fullst the discomposed O'Driscoll, and speaking sotto voce: "You must give me ciclit for being veryamiable, when I tell you I accepted Mrs. Courtney's invitation for this evening that I might prove how entirely to have forgiven you and felicitated dear Alphonse on her conquest;" she kissed the young girl. "We must always be great

friends; shall we not?" "I hope so," smiled Alphonse, diffidently, and looking for corroborative sign at O'Dris coll, who, quite relieved and gained over by Lady Alicia's frank and generous proceedings made haste to answer :-

"Thank you, thank you, Lady Alicia. respond to your good wishes along with Alphonse. I hope we shall always be good friends, and I quite retract all I said in a fit of spleen in favor of King Herod, offering, in excuse or extenuation of my testy humor that, with my ours moidered from the din of altercation amount the gods over their wine, coming into a region redolent of perfume, zephyrs, music, and sunshine, my too loquacious tongue gave ou the thought of my heart."

Lady Alicia, seating herself on a chair next to Miles, and with bewitching smile, essaying a cast of her net we entangle another prize—not one that took her fancy—but though diffusing is took her fancy—but though differing is style from O'Driscoll, he was of appearance not less imposing, indeed more so. With swift perception, too, she had divined, sedate and amused he watched her more ments, that there seemed to be something more than ordinary courtesy between his and Florence Esmond. A smile, a look of understanding she had noticed pass between them; it was enough. She would enter the lists for conquest, to what end she did not quite well know yet; for she had not even now relinquished all hope or thought O'Driscoll, whom she meant to gall will jealousy. Yes, she would oust Florest Esmond, and drag Miles a willing thrall her feet; but more—she hesitated, awed b his mien-she did not think she could brow

him for a liege lord.
So, while O'Driscoll sat apart with Alpho absorbed in tender converse, and rapt present oblivion of all the world beside, an grave Don Antonio, followed by the beinebriated company from the diniugroof trooped with noisy clamour of tongues in the saloon for tea and coffee and music, Lad Alicia applied herself to the congentask of anaring hearts, and the more guard or impregnable the fortress was likely prove, all the more resolutely she set to wol her engines to reduce it. Masked batterist open assault, secret undermining, nothing

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