

Beautiful Cynthia;

Victory After Many Defeats.

CHAPTER XI.
PASSION'S SLAVE.

Northam promptly went to sleep again; he appeared to be able to sleep whenever he wanted to do so.

They reached the small house in Burton Crescent, in which Lady Alicia lived, nominally under the care of an elderly cousin, a nonentity whose poverty rendered her only too glad to occupy the position of chaperon to a young lady who knew a great deal more about the world than did Mrs. Clinton, and who was perfectly well able to take care of herself.

"I am going straight to bed, Northam," said Lady Alicia. "I am tired to death."

"You look it," said Northam, with brotherly candor. "Been rather a jolly evening, though," he added, as he sauntered heavily into the dining room and mixed himself a brandy and soda.

She leaned against the table in an attitude of weariness and lassitude, as if she were suffering from the reaction of a tremendous effort.

"Do you think so?" she said, the corners of her mouth drooping. "I have been bored to death."

Northam looked at her over the edge of his glass, with the stolid, impassive look which concealed a considerable amount of shrewdness.

"Thought you weren't having much of a time," he said, "but the rest of us enjoyed it. I fancy. I can answer for two, Frayne and Miss Drayle."

She shrugged her shoulders impatiently and raised her brows.

"Yes, she was like a girl at a Sunday-school treat," she said, with slow contempt.

Northam laughed. He was silent for a moment, then he said:

"That's a bit nasty, Alicia. She is just young and innocent; and the whole thing was fresh to her. Somehow it did me good to watch her. You don't often meet a girl like that. She was the pick of the basket there to-night; prettiest girl in the room, present company excepted."

"Mr. Frayne did not except even me," she said, with a kind of defiance.

Northam nodded. "It's plain to see what's the matter with him," he said. "He's head over heels in love with her."

Her face flamed and then went pale.

"Why do you tell me that?" she asked. "Do you think I've become suddenly blind?"

Northam was fond of his sister, and the bitterness that rang in her tone touched him. He laid his heavy hand on her white shoulder and shook her gently.

"Pill yourself together, old girl," he said. "I know how it is with you. But it's no use. He's hooked, he's up to his neck in love. Don't think any more of him."

"You'd go further than admiration," she said. "Oh, yes, you would! Do you think I don't know; do you think I don't know what a man means when he looks at a girl as you looked at her to-night! Why, you were struck with her the first time we met her in the Park! Northam—she leaped forward and laid her hand upon his

arm—"why shouldn't you help me—and yourself?"

He thrust his hands in his pockets and stared down at his boots, so that she could not see his eyes; but a faint color had spread over his face.

"Why not?" she persisted slowly, persuasively. "You'd make a better match for her than he would. You know there isn't a man in London who wouldn't be out of the race for any girl if you took up the running."

He shook his head without raising his eyes.

"Not with this one," he said quietly. "That sort of thing wouldn't count with her. She'd take the man she wants and no other. The fact of my being the next duke wouldn't weigh an ounce with Cynthia Drayle."

She pushed his arm from her and laughed contemptuously.

"What fools men are!" she said scornfully. "You are all alike, you are all taken in by any school girl; you think them—oh, everything that's pure and disinterested. Take my word for it, that Miss Cynthia Drayle, in London and its suburbs, the directory contains lists of—"

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the man was just gassing, as a drunken bouncer will. What could there be in it? Frayne's father is one of the biggest men in those parts. You're a bit of color to-night, old girl, and don't know what you're talkin' about. And, besides," he added, with a grin, "if there was any truth in that fellow's mauding, it would queer your pitch with Darrel Frayne."

"Do you think so?" she said, her voice suddenly soft, and thrilling in its intensity. "You don't know much of me, Northam; you don't know much about women. When they're as far gone as I am, they marry their man, though he were a pauper and were left with nothing but the clothes he stands in."

He flushed with a kind of shame for her, but there was no answering flush in her cheek; her eyes shone with passion now.

"You forced me to speak the truth, Northam," she said. "I am in love with Darrel Frayne—and I mean to have him, with your help or without it. Oh, don't be foolish, Northam!"

Her voice was now pleading, persuasive. "She is lovely as you say; I admit it. She is good—you have a weakness for good women—you know—she would make an admirable duchess; any man might be proud of her. And she's yours for the asking. Oh, Billy!"

It was only in moments of intense strain or affection that Lady Alicia called her brother by his old boyish name. "Don't be hard on me and yourself. Why should you give way to Darrel Frayne? She doesn't care for you; she's just that sort of girl. Think of her as your wife, your very own!"

She had put her arms round his neck, her eyes were looking into his temptingly, pleadingly, yet forcefully. He unlinked the white arms and put her from him almost roughly.

"You're talking through your hat," he said angrily and yet with a note in his voice which revealed the strength of the temptation. "For Heaven's sake, go to bed!"

She went without a word, but at the door she looked over her shoulder.

He had dropped into a chair, his legs were stretched out, his hands were thrust deep into his pockets, his heavy face was resting on his chest, his lips were compressed tightly, and his brows knit together with a frown.

She knew that her words had gone home, that they were working within him, and a faint smile passed across her weary face.

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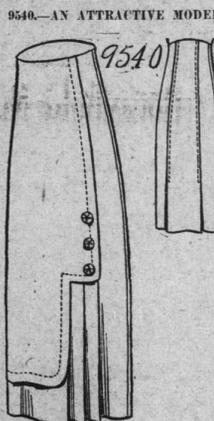
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