

whole house, as a spark dropped in room ready-" the prairie runs through the snake

grass. With Edna, all disheveled and flushed, he passed through the small crowd of servants, some of whom, being villagers, recognized him, and began to bow and cheer, and grow will have me!" suddenly excited, and entered the

stantly attacked by the anxious and ed his story. What a story it was! It had taken care of me, though the excited questions of Aunt Martha and sounded like one of the exciting ro- sawbones had given me up. I thought Mrs. More, who were, after the manner of each, perfectly upset.

as the fugitives entered, and stared alone, could not tear herself away, here he took from his bosom the at Cyril dumbfounded; then she sank could scarcely suppress her tears at blood-stained neck scarf. onto a sofa; and then Edna, who had some portions of the recital, and at Edna gave a great sob and hid her gone on her knees beside her, drew others could not suppress little ajaçu- face. lations of amazement and kindred "I knew it had all happened then,

close to her bosom. sensations. "Mr. Payne!" she gasped. But before she could say one word | And Edna-Edna sat motionless, more a thrilling little treble rang with her head leaning against his that back to her some day-no, not

"Uncle Cyril! Uncle Cyril!" and caressing hand; motionless, but not it; but I'll show it to her some day." "Uncle Cyril!" and caressing hand; motionless, but not little Bertie ran forward and clasped emotionless, for her face went pale I stuck to that and got better; then but because I wished to claim John Cyril round the legs.

Cyril was touched, and he was the hardships he had gone through, of dead list, and crept back to England, glad to hide his face for a moment the dangers of those sharp, bitter to be near you, to watch over you, and behind the bonny, tearful one of the tussles, when his men fell around him to thwart that oily villain, Morton. like corn before the sickle; and when On my way, I went to took at the old boy. place-the old bitter-sweet place-

"Yes, it's Uncle Cyril, Bertie! You he came to the story of that night before Bilbao, her heart beat so hard where you stole my heart. God! 1 are glad to see him, eh?" suffered there! Not another word if and fast that she fancied the other "Young eyes are sharp, mamma!" you cry-not another word!"

he said, addressing the bewildered two must hear it as she did. "No, no, go on!" said Edna, holding "It was a hard fight, well won," mother and holding out his hand. up her face. "See, I am not cryingsaid Cyril. "We had been marching "You remember me now, Julia?" "It is Cyrill" gasped Mrs. More- day and night to steal upon the town; if I do it is for joy, for joy!" "Well, then, I went on to Basle-I "Lady" no longer !--- and as the horri- we were but one against ten, and I couldn't help it, you see, and I went

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own. I'll tell the people and have a was, I cause of something that had happen leave you to fall in his clutches, and ed in the past? Oh, Cyril, night afte "Thank you, Edward," said Cyril, then I swooned, I suppose, for I do night, I have lain awake, calling to "but I think"-and his hand played not remember anything more than you to come back. I have never softly with the silken hair that half that your sweet face was bending dreamed one night but you have hid the downcast face at his knee- over me like an angel's, had vanishstood beside me, with that look on "I think I will stay here, if my wife ed like an angel's, and that all was vour face. Oh!" 2750-This style is easy to develop,

ten-the page you had touched, and

while I was looking at it-'Dear me.'

says the young parson, 'didn't I marry

you some time ago-and-why, yes, I

gave a copy of the certificate to a

gentleman not a week ago.' I was

staggered for the moment, then I ask-

ed him to describe the gentleman

who had condescended to take so

much interest in our affairs, and, of course, it was Morton. I lost no time

then, but I came straight to England,

intending to watch, night and day, if

dark. When I woke I found myself "Hush! my darling, my wife!-tha So Edward went, and Cyril resum- lying in one of the ambulances. They is all passed." "But why did you not take pity of mances the old novelists used to glory I had been dreaming, and lay ponderin; and Aunt Martha, much as she ing and pondering all day until I wished to leave the reunited lovers suddenly recollected something"self-reproach in his eyes:

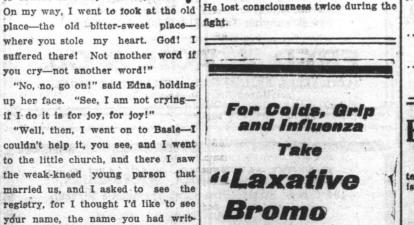
a foolish girl, and come back to me?" Cyril hung his head, speechless for a moment; then he looked up, with "Because I was a fool, a selftormenting fool, Edna! I thought

asy to adjust, and easy to launder.

that you-no, no! not you, but the in silver or stamps. world-would say I had tricked you

into a marriage for the sake of th and that little handkerchief saved my paltry money-that I, a ruined man. life. You see, I said 'I'll live and give had saved myself from utter shipwreck by a piece of chicanery; and knee, where it was convenient to his give it back, for I'll never part with that you would think that I had come back to you, not because I loved you,

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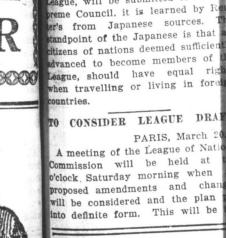
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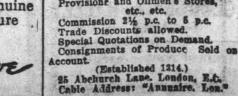
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