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"Ah, yes," said the Squire, rather coldly, "a most unfortunate affair. Of course, I don't know what the particulars of the matter were, and it is no business of mine, but, speaking generally, I should say never bring an accusation of that sort against a man at all unless you are driven to it, and if you do bring it, be quite certain of your ground. However, that is neither here nor there. Ida is old enough to judge for herself, and seems to have made up her mind, so, as Iknow no reason to the contrary, and as the business arrangements proposed are all that I could wish, I cannot see that I have any ground for withholding my cousent. So all I can say, sir, is that I hope you will make my daughter a good husband, and that you will both be happy. Ida is a high-spirited woman, and in some ways a very peculiar woman; but in my opinion she is greatly above the avertage of her sex as I have known it, and provided you have her affection, and don't attempt to drive her, she will go through thick and thin for you. But I daresay you would like to see her. Oh, by the way, I forgot, she has got a headache this morning, and is stopping in bed. It isn't much in her line, but I daresay that she is a little upset. Perhaps you would like to come up to dinner to night?"

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"Well, my dear," said the Squire, cheerfully, "I have just had the pleasure of see, I Edward Cossey, and I have told him at as you seemed to wish it—"

Here Ida made a movement of impatience, but remembered herself and said nothing.

"That as you seemed to wish that things should be so, I had no grounds of objection to your engagement. I may as well tell you that the proposals which he makes as regards settlements are of a most liberal nature."

"Yes, I saked him. I thought that you would like to see him."

"Well, then, I wish you had not," she answered, with animation, "because there is nothing for dinner except some cold beef. Really, father, it isvery thoughtless of you," and she stamped her foot and went off in a huff, leaving the Squire full or effection.

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"Yes, I should think. Well, I know nothing about it; it is no affair of mine, and I can only take things as I find them."

And then he fell to reflecting that this marriage would be an extraordinary stroke of lunk for the family and it had labeled to the stamped of the sandon of the stamped

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As it chanced, on that very morning it was necessary for Mr. Quest to pay the old gentleman a visit in order to obtain his signature to a lease of a bakery in Boisingham, which, together with the two or three other houses, belonged to the estate.

He arrived just as the Squire was in the full flow of his meditations, and it would not have needed a man of Mr. Quest's penetration and powers of observation to discover that he had something on his mind which he was longing for an opportunity to talk about.

The Squire signed the lease without paying the slightest attention to Mr. Quest's explanations, and then suddenly asked him when the first interest on the recently effected mortgagescame due.

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"Yes," said the Squire. "That is what
I meant by saying that there would be no
necessity to make any avrangements for the
future payment of interest, for Cossey has
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mortgage bonds in the fire before his marriage."

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"Certainly," said Mr. Quest. The matter is this: Mr. Edward Cossey is engaged to Miss de la Molle. He has just been here to obtain my consent. Which, of course, I have not withhold, as I know nothing against the young mannout of my consented not total my concent that would knowly nothing as all. The only stipulation that he made is I think, a very reasonable on under the circumstances, namely, that the engagement is to be kept quiet for a like the says that he is an uncreasonable man, and that he might take a prejudice against it."

During the announcement Mr. Quest had remained perfectly quiet, his face showing no signs of excitement, only his eyes show with a curious light.

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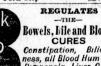
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