"But," said Maurice at length,

what curious that it has not alread Ellerton ever been a business man, he had never have stood in such grievous situation as he now does. As it is, he awaits Laroom's

very measured tones, determined, he can to stille the whirlwind with

"I intend to be brief," continued the latter, "and therefore will not dilate upon the lady's charms or my own passion. But you must surely see that, if I wed Rose Fielding, in a few right of my wife. I shall be simply paying off mortgages on my own property. I get the land for my money. Virtually, I am only changing my investment. I wish to be candid with you. When Miss Fielding, being my half of that money I must raise, and that the firm shall, at its convenience, refund to me; as regards my own money, we will consider that debt cancelled, in consideration of the prop-erty I shall acquire with my intended

tentively, and when the speaker had finished, he thoroughly grasped the Ellerton's blood once more surged furiously through his veins. Deep laid, ndeed, had been Laroom's calculation "Ellerton & Son," he replied bitterly, "can have no words to express their thanks. You propose to find twenty-five thousand pounds yourself, to assist in raising twenty-five thousand more, and the price of this assistance s to be the hand of a high-bred eautiful girl and landed estates worth close on eighteen hundred a year! In the annals of usury I don't think pounds within the twelvemonth for the loan of twenty-five and your assistance to raise a further twenty-five. to buy money at this price

he, Maurice Ellerton, had abstracted all this money without giving any consideration for its use whatever, was a man to whom no credit is due. He shrinks conscience-stricken at the great wrong he has done this girl, the has a faculty for it. He catches a catcher great wrong he has done this girl, the has a faculty for it. He catches a catcher great wrong he has done this girl, the has a faculty for it. He catches a catcher great wrong he has done this girl, the has a faculty for it. whose interests are entrusted to his love as others catch cold. 'Tis chronic charge. She, too, whom he would have sooner died than bring sorrow upon! At what sacrifice of himself would he not make her reparation, severe complications of the disorder,

Very white his face now, and his lips

Suddenly Maurice raised his head, whist, me darlints!"

Whist, me darlints!"

That such a susceptible youth could remain insensible to the fascinations of Jennie Holdershed's bright eyes and my grounds for supposing—that Miss frank winning manner, was, of course, gurgling, rippling, wantoning, and "And de you suppose, sir—have you any grounds for supposing—that Miss Fielding would assent to such a proposal on your part?"

"Most assuredly. Miss Fielding will probably understand, when you explain to her, how much her interests are involved in entertaining my proposal on favorably. My experience of position favorably. My experience of five fashion, full probably understand, when you explain to her, how much her interests are involved in entertaining my proposition favorably. My experience of five fashion, full probably understand, when you experience of five fashion, full probably understand, when you experience of five fashion, full probably understand, when you experience of five fashion, full probably understand, when you experience of five fashion, full probably understand the probably understand, when you experience of five fashion, full probably understand the probably understand to the probably understand the probably understand the probably understand the probably understand the probably and pro

other. Mr. Weaver is rapidly winning at his side, the effish Nance, her un-Jennie's heart, but, strange to say, he Interests.

"But supposing," continued Maurice, is not winning it on his own account, with forced calmness, speaking indeed through his set teeth almost, "Miss through his set teeth almost, "Miss she likes him for himself; but what through his heart, but, stange to say, ne and her glittering black eyes dancing with merriment. She and Tim are inature—likes him for best of all is his unfined in the heart of your hand?"

Jennie's neart, but, stange to say, ne and her glittering black eyes dancing with merriment. She and Tim are inature—likes him for best of all is his unfaithed. She have not been always the say of the say honor of your hand?"

"Then I should imagine, in your very peculiar position you will be at no loss for arguments with which to make her reconsider her decision," sneered Laroom. She has never any difficulty good-nature and bonhomie have much about making him talk of Dainty; the warm-hearted Irishman is never tired of chanting the praises of his school-by idol. He regards Dainty as the bravest, cleverest man he knows. We bravest, cleverest man he knows. We

appearance, and attract crowds to listen to the touching stories of "The Fancy Bazaar," etc. Thickly sprinkled are the sands even now with children in all the utter abandon and ecstasy of childhood at the seaside—dabbling, paddling, swimeach other in the sand. Dirty, getting demption, but oh, so happy! Drinking in health with every breath, and, when carrying their little flushed, sunburnt faces, disordered curls, and unheard of appetites home,—too late for tea to a were that possible!

And now suddenly comes before his mind the picture of Rose Fielding as this man's wife—this man who makes this man's wife—this man who makes told, cannot stand. Mr. Weaver would no scruple of trading on his knowledge of another's crime to obtain his edge of another's crime to obtain his stand the care anxiety and hot water to have confided to us that a heart dispersion of the same and in the same. Dirty, getting dirtier, ruining clothes past all redemption, but oh, so happy! Drinking in health with every breath, and, when carrying their little flushed, sunburnt faces, disordered curls, and unheard of appetites home,—too late for tea to a specific part of the proposes to purchase his

are involved in entertaining my proposition favorably. My experience of wemen teaches me that they are pretty keenly alive to such points."

His experience! Yes, such women as had smiled upon Laroom's love, if that be the right name for it, were doubtless very much alive to their own laroom's laroom's love, if the stream of the sits gazing lazily at it. Not a sound but the ripple lazily at it. Not a sound but the ripple it all gally and in good part. Very competent to take care of her heart on this occasion in one way—not quite so well able to take care of it in and the soft cooling of the ringdove. Suddenly the Naiad of the Spring is other. Mr. Weaver is rapidly winning at his side, the elfish Nance, her understands.

And swore there was nothing like grog.

Weymouth, I suppose?" concluded the Captain interrogatively.
"Divil a syllable!" returned Mr.

control of her, bedad, and here was and here more for any two of that does barmaid as it were to Her"—

in the apple had and here mr. Weaver made a motion again." With which Mr. Weaver rose the town.

In the apple had and here mr. Weaver made a motion dead—such is the pluck of him!"

Jennie's merry laugh called mr. J

"'Sick or well, late or early, Wind foully or fairly, Helm a-lee or a -weather, For hours together, I've constantly swigged it, And dam'me there's nothing like grog."

if fancy not. There isn't a grog," chorused the veteran, in hoarse, he place fit to look through, it distinctly. She was a long Three men aboard of her. any more tonight," said Jenrie, laughmorning, and away into the city with

makes me quite low; I feel as if I tain, staring glazily at the door his various musty little counting-houses, niece had vanished through. "Look in which, for all their insignificant ap-

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matter:—hum! Why, that cursed shoe-string the worse for the impending first has sent in the water only half hot, and the"—expletive, etc.,—the sharper was smash? He must know that our bankruptcy means the foreclosing of "sugar won't melt!"

"Arrah! Captain dear!" cried Mr. that kind he did assuredly say at the local strength of the strength of the

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exclaimed the Captain, mopping his to admire the sun, the moon, and all rubicund visage with an enormous that shines upon this earth—bright China silk pocket-handkerchief, "You"le come up and take a bite with us, of course. Jennie will be main glad to have a clack with you. Desperate work tonight. I dare not face-such insidious have a clack with you. Desperate work tonight. I dare not face-such insidious have a clack with you. Desperate work tonight. I dare not face-such insidious flattery."

"We without a parting see of grief and calamity impending the fancies it will come less hard upon this earth—bright tal passions brought into fiercer activates tal passions brought into fiercer activates the property of the many gazing into the empty grate, and meditative tal passions brought into fiercer activates the property of the many gazing into the empty grate, and meditative tal passions brought into fiercer activates the property of the many gazing into the empty grate, and meditative tal passions brought into fiercer activates the property of the many gazing into the empty grate, and meditative tal passions brought into fiercer activates the passions brought "You can't go without a parting glass, shipmate," suddenly exclaimed over the house of Ellerton!—shame, only be wrought by those who, near and dear to us, sign the bond of the arch tempter, and deliver themselves over, body and soul, to the Lord of darkness and desolation.

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way out. Three men aboard of her. I couldn't quite make 'em out—that was beyond even my glass; but one of 'em had on a scarlet nightcap, with a blue tassel, I think. You might make down again," said the Captain angrily. a down again," said the Captain angrily. That blue, livid streak down his cheek, inquiry about the harbor, and over "Not until tomorrow night, my unfellow out with his head thatched in that fashion. Sad, very sad, to think of three poor fellows gone to Davy Jones without a minute's warning. It makes me quite low: I feel as if I tain staring glazily at the door his cheek, which he was compelled to contemplate while shaving, is not calculated to soften the animosity which sways in soul. Very busy indeed is Mr. La-on this morning, selling, negotiating, and borrowing; diving in and out of the countries of the contemplate while shaving, is not calculated to soften the animosity which sways in the door his cheek, which he was compelled to contemplate while shaving, is not calculated to soften the animosity which sways in the door his cheek, which he was compelled to contemplate the plant of the was compelled to contemplate while shaving, is not calculated to soften the animosity which sways in the captain angley. make her reconsider her decision," make her reconsider her decision, sneered Laroom.

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that seem to have escaped you—the unpleasantness of appearing in the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly, that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and secondly that this usurious profit is referred to the fellows dock, in the first place; and the fellows dock with the fellows dock, in the first place; and the fellows dock with the fellows dock, in the first place; and the fellows dock in the fellows dock, in the first place; and the fellows dock in the fellows dock, in the first place; and the fellows dock in the fellows dock in the fellows dock in the fellows dock, in the first place; and the fellows dock in the fellows dock in

If it made things no worse for Mau-It enabled him to put off their suspe ion of payment some few days longer, in fact, his schemes were thoroughly ripe, till those mortgag vere in the hands of his tools.

of course did so. Maurice, meanwhile, can think of nothing now but how best to break al this forthcoming misery and disgrace mother and Rosie. eyes the agony of his soul-no able to bear the silent sympathy his too evident trouble, Maurice I pleaded business, and, under pretext a journey to Liverpool, establis himself in lodgings in Berners str There he awaits the end; there nigh neighborhood where known; if the blow should them in an obscure watering-place, o still better, in some quiet foreign town "'And dam'me there's nothing like grog. "

Wery little romance is there about Rolf Laroom, and yet it is the strong windictive natures of such men that go with them? Himself? Impossible properties."

Wery little romance is there about it is the strong windictive natures of such men that have given rise to some of the most pretence are they to be ried out of the mighty Babylon? Is beyond him. Then, again, who go with them? Himself? Impossible restriction. der what pretence are they to eyes. Yes, he thinks at last, Dainty must do it; he must confess all to Dainty, and Maurice Ellerton shivers from head to foot as he comes to this

conclusion. (To be continued.)

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