HIS LORDSHIP'S **ROMANCE**

The autumn months came and went, and still Agatha remained at Hastings. Evelyn's recovery seemed at times doubtful. They had decided to remain there for the winter, and to go abroad in the spring. Lord Lynne had stayed for three weeks at Lynnewolde before he went to Scotland for his shooting. During those three weeks he was thrown constantly into the society of Inez. He would have had a heart harder than marple to have resisted her beauty and her grace; she dressed so well, her toilet was recherche, and displayed such exquisite taste. During the long autumn evenings she sung to him, until his heart thrilled with the rich passionant melody of her voice. All her wit, her genius, her talent, were called into requisition in order to amuse him. The consequence was, that during the whole time of his visit to Lynnewolde not one moment appeared heavy or dull. She had always something with which to engross or amuse him.

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She looked so candid, and smiled so frankly, that her words quite misled Philip, and he inwardly reproached himself that he had been unjust to herehad he, as well as everyone else, had neglected her for Agatha.

"I have always felt myself half an interloper," she continued sadly, "although I am Lord Lynne's elset thild. Was ever fate so strange or sad as mine?"

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"Have we seemed cold or unkind to you, Inex?" he asked, gently.

"At times," is he replied, "I have felt quite alone."

He looked at the beautiful face, and the large liquid eyes moist with tears. Could this woman, with her rare southern beauty, have felt sad and lonely? Had he, wrapped up in his vain love for another, forgotten and neglected her? Never had Lord Lynne felt so much inclined to love his cousin; never before had she so nearly touched his heart. She saw the impression his words produced. She was too wise to weaken them by repetition.

"I am triring you," she said. "I forget my little troubles interest no human being besides myself. You said yesterday, Lord Lynne, you would like to hear that Venetian barcarole. Shall sing it to you?"

Before Philip had time to reply, Inez was seated at the piano, her rich voice filling the room with the melody of the old Venetian song. When that was finished she began another—a love song this time—with every note a sigh, low, soft, and taking with it the fire of her genuius, and the love of her heart. She sang on until Philip rose from his seat and began to pace the room. He could not withstand the charm of this syren; she seemed to sing his heart away from him; his whole being thrilled with the sweet fancies that came to him with the music.

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"He is half won," she murmured to herself, as she watched the changes that passed over his face in the evening gloaming; "a little more patience, a little more skill, and he will be mine."

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he did not see the quiver of the white she ilps; he took the wax taper placed ready for him and went away.

Ince sat stil land motionless for some minutes. Then she rose, intending to go to her room, but her strength failed her. She threw up her arms, and fell upon the floor on her face.

"He is going!" she cried; "and I love him so—I love him so!"

She did not hear Lord Lynne returning, she did not hear him open the door.

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"Send me a message, sometimes," he said, "when my mother writes—remember, I shall be a lonely bachelor on the Scottish moors—send me a little news."

During the first week she sent merely a little piquant message through Mrs. Lynne; then she inclosed a sketch of his favorite hunter. Lord Lynne wrote to her, and in less than two weeks he began to look for her letters more eagerly even than for his day's sport. Not that he loved her. Love and Inez Lynne never entered his mind together; but those letters were infinitely charming. A woman's genius shows itself in her letters, and those of Inez's were matchless. They were witty, sparking and amusing; yet a veil of melancholy hung over them. Sweet simple Agatha could never have written such letters; she would not perhaps have understood them even—the graceful imagery, the daring wit, the poetical fancy that revealed themselves in every line, were all unknown to her.

So for nearly three months they corresponded, while Agatha regained her lost roses, and strove hard to find peace and tranquility. Then Christmas came round, and Lord Lynne resolved to spend it at Lynnewolde. They wrote and asked Agatha to come home—Allan Leigh was at the Chase, and Mr. Bohun Leigh was a

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Christmas was to be very gay. There was to be a grand ball at Lynnewolde, and another at Bohun Court. Lord Lynne determined that this year at least he would be gay; no one should know that he was a rejected lover—rejected by a fair-haired, gentle girl, too, who seldom said, "No.". He did not know where he should be next year—abroad most likely. Time was passing quickly; and all hope of his uncle's legacy died with his rejection. He was a Lynne and a gentleman, it did not enter his imagination to marry Inex without loving her, and so secure his fortune. He loved Agatha. He would have married her, even if in doing so he had lost instead of gained his heritage; but she had refused him. Love and money had failed him, and Philip began to make up his mind to the loss. He was too honorable, too noble to think of marrying without love. Not even to win a crown would he have done it; and Inez Lynne, who read him rightly, knew that if she won him it would be apart from all mercenary motives.

He was pleased to see her again. He met her frankly, and kindly thanked her for her charming letters, which had cheered and anused his solitude. That very frankness and kindness were like a death-blow to her. If his face had flush-

serious thougats of going abroad in the spring."

"Abroad!" she said; "for how long?"

"I do not know," he replied; "for years, in all probability, Inez. I want something to fill up my life."

There was a profound silence for some minutes, and when Inez spoke again, Lord Lynne did not know her voice.

"It is late," she said.

Tainking she wished to be alone, he rose and held out his hand to say goodnight. He saw her face perfectly white, with a startled look in her large, dark eyes.

"Good-night, pleasant dreams!"

He did not notice that the little jeweled hand he touched was as cold as death, he did not see the quiver of the white lips; he took the wax taper placed

"She loves me," he said, "and loves me so—"

He returned, but this time he took care to make noise enough over his entrance. When he stood again in the room, Inez was leaning over the fire, her face turned from him.

"I left my watch here," said Lord Lynne stammering in a manner very unlike his own.

"Did you?" she said, in a cold, steady vefice. "You remember what Mrs. Lynne tells you sometimes about your head."

Instead of taking up his watch, he

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ROJESTVENSKY, TOO, TOOK FLEET TO THE PACIFIC,

But He Did Not Bring It Back-Says Question of War Between the United States and Japan is Quite Excluded

St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.-Admiral Rojestvensky, who during the Russo-Japanese war led the ill-starred Russian fleet around Africa to ultimate defeat at the hands of the Japanese in the Sea of Japan, is keenly interested in the cruise of the United States battleship squadron to the Pacific. From his own experi ence Admiral Rojestvensky considered the voyage to the Pacific to be entirely practicable.

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He added: "The Japanese personnel, man for man, is now undoubtedly more efficient than the American; this due to practice in battle, but the American ships so exceed the Japanese in strength and numbers that there is no guession of American superiority. I consider that the question of war between Japan and the United States is quite excluded."

Considering the conversation, Admiral Rojestvensky said he was opposed to the rebuilding of the Russian fleet. He believed that Russian future will be on land, and that the money a fleet would cost would be better spent in building up a commercial marine.

commercial marine We may spend four or five millions in the next ten years," Admiral Rojest vensky went on, "as it is proposed to overwhelm Russia with debt in order to ecure a flect stronger than Japan, but the future of our Asiatic possessions will be determined by the army, not by the fleet. Russia is doing nothing to strengthen her army. We are holding 500,000 soldiers on the Polish frontier, a million in Russian Turkestan, and only 85,000 in all Siberia, where the Chinese and the Japanese are building up a portentous military power."

"But will the Russian fleet be reconstructed?" was asked the admiral.

"Alas, yes," he replied. "Unfortunately there are many people in Russia who wish to fill their pockets and the execution of a big naval programme will give them a glorious opportunity." the future of our Asiatic possess

ALL MURDERED.

TWELVE MINERS AND RANCHERS KILLED IN MEXICO.

The Men, All Mexicans, Stood Up Beside a Tree and Shot Through the Head-Yaquis on the Warpath.

Montreal People Done Out of Two or

Three Hundred Dollars.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—The clerical swind-ler has again started operations in Montreal. He calls himself "Rev. E. W. O'Leary, D. D.," and his story is that he "has just come down from Grand Seminary and discovered that he has left his money at home. Will a kind friend cash his cheque for a small amount?" Inquiries at the Grand Seminary and other instintions, including St. Patrick's Church, showed that no such man had any connection with them, and, moreover, that a score or more of complaints have been made by business men that this same individual has been playing the game for several days. A rough estimate places his carnings at two to three hundred dollars.

The Board of Aldermen of New York has passed an ordinance which will permit Sunday theatrical exhibitions, with certain features common to week day shows eliminated. Mayor McClehan is expected to sign it not later than Friday, making possible on next Sunday a resumption provingly. The old order of things,

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MR. TARTE'S DEATH

SUFFERED FROM FATAL MALADY FOR SOME TIME.

A General Breakdown-A Strong and Prominent Figure in Canadian Public Life for Many Years-Widow and Seven Children Survive.

Montreal, Dec. 18.-Hon, Joseph Israel Tarte died at the home of his son-in-law, Dr. Martigny, on Sherbrooke street, Nogales, Arizona, Dec. 18.—Information which has just reached here tells of the frightful murder of twelve men by a band of 150 Yaqui Indians 45 miles southeast of Magdalena, State of Sonora, Mexico, last Wednesday, P. J. McIntyre and a party of mining men of this section have arrived from the seene, where they viewed the remains of the murdered men. The Yaquis captured the party of thirteen men. Among the number was Jos. E. Fernandez, son of President Fernandez, of the town of Curcupte and owner of the mescal plantation where the killing occurred. The others were Mexican laborers on the ranch and some miners looking for work. One American was among the number, but he was rescued by men who told him that they were Americans. The remaining twelve were stripped, stood up against a tree and shot through the lead. A band of Yaquis is reported to be on the warpath.

THE CLERICAL SWINDLER.

Montreal People Done Out of Two or Three Hundred Polls.

unconsciousness, from which he never recovered. The care came peacefully at
2.45 p. m. Death was due to a general
breakdown of the system rather than to
any specific cause. For many years he
had been in poor health, and since the
general election in 1900, after which he
went to Paris and was operated upon,
his condition had always been more or
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The late Hon. Mr. Tarte was twice married, his second wife, whom he married three years ago and who survives him, being Mrs. Turcotte (nee Laurencelle). One child was the issue of this marriage, a girl, who will be two years old in a few days. Six other children survive Mr. Tarte, three sons and three daughters. The sons are Joseph, President and General Manager of La Patrie Company; Eugene, Vice-President of Pa Patrie Company, and Antonio, manager of the job department of La Patrie. The daughters are Amelia, wife of Joseph E. Rebillard, merchant; Mary, wife of Dr. Francois de Martigny, at the market of seduction is also preferred against the market of seduction is also preferred against the serious contents.

whose home Mr. Tarte died, and An

nette, who is ummarried.
Mr. Joseph Israel Tarte was for many years a conspicuous and somewhat pic turesque personality in Canadian poli-tical life, but because of his retiremen treal life, but because of his retirement from the Laurier Ministry in 1903 he had been since that time very much out of the public view. This had been ow-ing, in part to chronic invalidism, var-ied by acute attacks of disease by which his life had been several times put in ex-

treme peril.
Mr. Tarte, the son of a habitant farm er, was educated for the bar.

The funeral of Hon. J. I. Tarte wil The funeral of Hon. J. I. Tar take place on Saturday morning from the home of his eldest sor

Tarte. Requiem Mass will be sung 9 o'clock at St. Louis de France Chur POLICE PUT TO FLIGHT.

A Colonel Killed in Fight With St.

Petersburg Revolutionists. St. Petersburg, Dec. 18.—A Colonel of Police named Kalchak, was killed and several officers and policemen were wounded in a fight to-day while the guardians of the law were searching a house on Vasili Island, a section of this city. The police were finally put to flight and the revolutionists succeeded in escaping. escaping.

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Should Not Have Allowed Johnson to G Home Intoxicated.

Ridgetown, Dec. 18.—That Duncan Johnson died in his buggy from suffocation is the ver-diet of the late coroner's jury to-day. The jury also finds that Patrick Collins, hotelkeeper at Muirkirk, and Roy Green, the latter haying rode with deceased, were guilty of carelessnees. Dr. Lake, who performed the been muffled by his overcoat while intoxicated, and that he had died from suffocation

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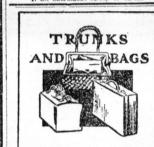


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