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He could discover no more than that. knew that she had no relatives, no friends, and he could not imagine where she was. She seemed to be well-her letters were firmly and plainly written. He waited day after day until he grew sick at heart; but no news came of

'I shall go mad,' he thought, 'if this lasts much longer.' He had grown thin and pale, and had dark shadows round his eyes from long and weary watching. He looked like the ghost of the happy man who had hastened through the chill autumn mist to meet the wife he began to think he should never see again.

He went to London, and he found, from inquiries he made, that his last letter was lying unclaimed. He grew seriously alarmed; if Margarita were living and well, nothing would have prevented her from sending for that letter. A thrill of keenest anguish shot through his heart. What could have happened to her? It must be some serious accident

People who met Lord Rylestone during those two days in London hardly recognized him; the handsome face had changed as a blight changes a flower. He went twice to Mr. Beale's office, but that worthy lawyer was absent. He was at a loss what to do-what steps to take in order to learn something of ed we could attribute it to that cause. Our his lost wife. He had sent advertisements to all the leading daily journals; they did not low prices for its produce; our cod fishery, bring him a reply. While he was debating except on the Banks, was largely deficient, so within himself what to do, a letter was forwarded to him from his club, and it proved to position, not to our own resources, but be from Miss Cameron. She asked him to go to a lucky accident which has proved an over to Walton, if only for a day, as there unlucky accident to others, the fact that was something wrong about John Leech's the Norwegian and French fisheries were

That letter seemed to rouse him as from a dream. He had forgotten Walton Court, Adelaide, and all else in his absorbing distress about his wife. He decided to go; and he said to himself that, if he could find an opportunity he would tell his story to Adelaide, and ask her advice. He felt sure of her sympathy; and perhaps she might think of something which had not occurred to him-women were always so quick of invention and re-

He went. It was almost the last day of November when he reached the Court, whither he had hoped to take Margarita as his wife. Miss Cameron remained alone since the unhappy termination of her acquaintance with Margarita. She had not engaged another companion. Mr. Beale had spoken to her about it once, and her answer was that she should wait until Miss Avenel returned; after that Mr. Beale said no more.

It was now some weeks since Margarita had departed from Layston Park, and Miss Cameron had heard nothing of her. Her clothes had been packed and were ready, but no one either came or sent. Every hour of the day Adelaide thought of her, and hoped for some intelligence of her.

'She is angry and indignant, but, when her anger cools, and she remembers that I have had nothing to do with the matter, she will come back to me,' said Miss Cameron.

Days and weeks went by, but they did not bring her or any news of her; and then, hearing that Lord Rylestone had returned, Adelaide thought less constantly of her. She could not think of much else-Lord Rylestone was back, and she should soon see him.

any intention to visit Walton; and, if John Leech had not threatened a lawsuit about his lease, the chances were that he would not have gone, and the mystery of his wife's absence would never have been solved. As it was, when he reached the Court, Adelaide, in the flush of her beauty and strength, looked at him half horrified.

This haggard, careworn, thin, pale, despair- risk their lives in encountering the dangers and ing man-this could not be the Lord Rylestone from whom she had parted on a sweet June night over two years back; those worn, hollow eyes were not, surely, the same eyes which looked so kindly on her then. There was pity, almost awe, in the glance she gave him. Her warm, soft fingers tightened round his cold, of our best producers fleeing from the coun-

(To be continued.)

FRIDAY, February 24th. Hon. the President said, however feebly he might acquit himself, he should feel impelled to essay an attempt to defend the Chamber of Commerce against the pungent criticisms of the hon. gentleman who has just spoken; but seeing that that body is so ably represented in this Chamber, he felt it would be presumption upon his part to take up this position. He was not aware that the body was amenable to such censure. As regards the subject under discussion, it was pleasing to find that the returns from the fisheries have placed the colony in a much more favorable position than that which it occupied twelve months ago. At that time most persons took a despondent view of our affairs, and, unfortunately, the circumstances then existing did not warrant a hopeful one.

Our fisheries were languishing; markets, previously almost our own, had gone from us, and we knew not where to turn to alleviate the sad prospect that opened out before us; no definite means of relief appeared to lighten the surrounding gloom. Our last resource seemed to be a reliance upon what we had been accustomed to regard as the elasticity of our trade and resources, of the recuperative character of which we had experience in former years, and which we hoped might again remove our difficulties. While the present position of affairs is not one of the brightest, it is still far more assuring than it was a year ago, and it may be pertinent to enquire to what cause is this change to be ascribed? Not, unfortunately, to that elasticity that has borne us successfully through former treats. He very much wishseal fishery has been a short one, followed by that we seem to owe the difference in our below the average of former years, and the reduction of their competition with us enabled us to realize remunerative prices for fish. It may be said we have also always to reckon with the fluctuation of prices in foreign markets, and it does not at all follow that even if we had abundant voyages we should obtain good returns. In former years we had certain fish markets almost entirely to ourselves, and while sometimes these fluctuations operated adversely to us, yet on the other hand they equally often told to our advantage, and thus our position was comparatively independent. This state of things we may not readily recall, because we for a time seem to have forfeited the position we had obtained, being supplanted to a large extent by our indefatigable rivals whose competition has had such disastrous effects upon the interests of this colony. It is gratifying to observe one hopeful sign, in the success of the Bank fishery. The Government who aided in stimulating the revival of that industry (of whom he was glad to say be was one) have reason to congratulate themselves upon the vindication of the wisdom of their action as proved by results. It has sometimes been stated in this House that no previous local government had done anything for the welfare of the fisheries. In reply to such an assertion he pointed to the Bank fishery bounty as a complete refutation of any charge of negligence that may be brought forward against the government of that day. They extended a helping hand to that fishery in the face of much disparagement of their endeavors, it having been contended that our men were unfitted for it; that it required hardier hands than those accustomed, as it was termed, to "lobstering along the shore." It was But he did not write. He gave no sign of further urged that the amount of bounty the legislature would offer would be an insufficient inducement to warm that industry into life. Now, however, after the lapse of a few years, it is a satisfaction to those who took a hopeful view to find their predictions so signally fulfilled. There has been no difficulty in finding in the colony a sufficient number of men heartily willing to hardships of the voyage; and the results are assuming to-day important significance in connection with our trade. In a general way, however, there was enough to show in regard to our fisheries and resources that in their present stage of development they are unreliable

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lation. We have seen some four thousand