ing?"
"How warm it is! Let us go into the

fernery."
He rose and offered her his arm in

He rose and offered ner his arm in his self-contained manner, and she sank into a chair and looked up at him.
"You really are lamentably ignorant, Mr. Fenton," she said, slowly, "not to know that my cousin, Lord Brakespeare, and Miss Grahame are to be married on the 24th."

ne 24th."

For a moment he stared at her, his ace deathly white, his hands clinched, s if she had suddenly stabbed him to

"You are not going to you?"
you?"
With an effort he recovered himself, and, seating himself on the chair beside her, said:
"I had not heard it."
"Yes," said Lady Ruth; then she looked straight before her, but watched him out of the corners of her eyes. "Yes, barring accidents."

out of the corners of her eyes. "Yes, barring accidents."
"Accidents!" he said. "What could prevent such a happy and suitable union, Lady Ruth!"
"Yes, would if you could Mr. Fonton."

ion, Lady Ruth?"
"You would if you could, Mr. Fenton,"
she said, her head close to his.
"That is true," he said calmly. "You
have quick apprehension, Lady Ruth.
But forgive me if I think that mine is

sa quick. I might have said to you what you have said to me. You would prevent it if you could!"
"Ah!" she drew a long breath. "But I can not. Can you!" she demanded,

"Ah!" she drew a long breath. "But I can not. Can you?" she demanded, mockingly, but with an eager, half-anxious light in her eyes.

"We can be overheard here," he said, in a low but perfectly steady voice. "Come with me," and he nodded to a remote part of the fernery.

CHAPTER XXVI.

Two days before the wedding the carriage stood before the castle door waiting for Constance and the marquis. He was going to London, and that he might have her sweet company to the last moment, he had arranged to take her to the Towers, and drive thence to the estation.

"It is scarcely good-bye, mother," said

the marquis cheerily, as he fastened his great fur cloak. "I shall be back to mor-

great fur cloak. "I shall be back to-mor-row. Don't expect me too early, for I shall take the papers to the Towers for this young lady's signature." "You will not be a moment longer than you can help, I know, Wolfe," said

They did not talk much on the journey to the Towers, which seemed it.

"You will be happy at the duchess," said the marquis, more as an assertion for his own satisfaction than a ques-

A Love Affair

piece of fancy work, sat patiently waiting. Presently Mr. Rawson Fenton's mail-phaeton drove up, and he was

CHAPTER XXVII.

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"You will be happy at the duchess," said the marquis, more as an assertion for his own satisfaction than a question.

"As happy as I can be without you," replied Constance, frankly. "It will not be long. I am so sorry you have to go such a long journey. Tell me, Wolfe, what time may I expect you? I shall count the hours while you are away."

"I cannot reach the Towers until 8 o'clock," he replied. "They will send something to meet me at the station."

They were silent after that until the Towers lodge was passed, and then he took her in his arms and kissed her, "Good bye, my darling, my love!" he said, and his voice grew hoarse and almost broken. "God keep you till I come back to you."

Constance clung to him, her face pale, the vague trouble suddenly springing up into a grim presentiment.

"Do not lose a minute," she panted, "not a minute, Wolfe. Remember, whatever happens, you will return to-mor row night!"

Constance waited a little time to recover herself, and asked to be shown. 

Constance waited a little time to recover herself, and asked to be shown to her room, but she had scarcely reached it when there came a knock, and

Lady Ruth entered.

"So you are here, dear!" she exclaimed, with that overdone cordiality which cold people affect when they are trying to be genial and affectionate. "We have all been looking forward to seeing you so impatiently. By the way, Mr. Rawson Fenton is coming to lunch to-day."

Constance tried to think of some light.

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"Yes, she has come," said Lady Ruth.
"And she suspects nothing," said Lady

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Ju "And she suspects nothing," said Lady Ruth.

"No," he assented, with a smile.

"Are you still confident of success?" she asked.

"Quite confident. My plans rarely fail, Lady Ruth."

She glanced up at him, and echoed his sigh of satisfaction.

"And you will not tell me how you mean to effect your object?" she asked, with a suppressed eagerness.

"I cannot tell you. I asked you to trust me, and I must ask you to do so still. Rest assured that I shall not fail. I would confide in you if I could, Lady Ruth, but it is impossible for me to do so. You have seen her?"

"Yes."

"We must be careful. Not a word must be said, not a sign made, to rouse her susting the said, not a sign made, to rouse her susting the said, not a sign made, to rouse her susting the said, not a sign made, to rouse her susting the said, not a sign made, to rouse her susting the said, not a sign made, to rouse her susting the said, not a sign made, to rouse her susting the said.

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"Say your own," she retorted. "Remember, I know nothing of them."
"It is better that you should not," he said, significantly. "When the blow falls you can say with truth that you were ignorant of the cause."
"Carry out your object and I shall be quite satisfied," she responded.

CHAPTER XXVII.

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Constance did not come down until just before lunch, and met with an affectionate welcome.

"I've got the worst part of the business at this wedding," said the duke, gallantly. "Gad! if I had my way, I wouldn't give you away at all."

Rawson Fenton, who had been walking round the grounds, came in as they were taking their seats at the table, and went up to her.

Constance gave him her hand, with a few cold words of greeting, and his manner was a perfect study of polite respect and friendliness.

He took a seat at some distance from her, and throughout the meal did not address her; but he seemed in a very light humor, and joined in the conversation with a humorous sprightliness which caused a great deal of laughter. "You seem in very good spirits, Fenton," said the duke. "I suppose you feel sure of the election?"

"Oh, yes," he replied, "as sure as a man can feel. I address a big meeting to-morrow night. Will you come over, duke?"

"No, by George!" said his grace. "I shall stop at home, and save myself."

Chas. E. Morgan, il James street north, or C. J. Jones. 6 James street south, Hamilton. if she had run a mile, and leaning against the stone coping, looked toward the shrubbery, her face white with excitement and suspense.

Constance walked along slowly and reached the arbor. She had not intended to go in, but as it began to rain steadily, she entered for shelter.

It was almost dark inside, and for a moment she did not see that she was not alone; but suddenly a voice said "Constance!" and she saw Rawson Fenton standing before her.

"Do not be alarmed," he said, and his voice sounded cold and strained, as if he were trying to keep it under control. "Why should you fly from me, as if I were something to be feared." "Let me pass, Mr. Fenton!" she exclaimed, haughtily, trying to keep her voice steady.

"Not yet," he returned, his voice low and hard. "If, when you have heard what I have to say, you still desire to leave me, I will let you go; but—"

"Do you mean that you will keep me by force" she demanded, amazed at his andacity.

"By force—of reason and argument—

force-of reason and argumenthe said.
(To be Continued.)

## SHOOTS HIMSELF.

## duke?" "No, by George!" said his grace. "I shall stop at home, and save myself up for the next day. I don't go through a wedding every week, you know!" The gentlemen left the table directly lunch was over to walk round the farm and smoke a cigar, and Rawson Fenton included Constance in his bow of farewell. Alleged Attempt at Suicide of Bank President Roy.

Montreal, May 26 .- The trial of Hon. P H. Roy took a dramatic turn to-day, when his servant rushed to the Chief of Police and announced The day passed, and Constance fell asleep that night counting the hours to Wolfe's return—fell asleep to dream of him. When she awoke in the morning the sun was overcast by threatening clouds, and the duchess at breakfast was in an agony of apprehension for the weather to-morrow.

Lunch was got through rather hurriedly, for, as it always the case therewere several things to be done, little finishing touches to be given to the all-important dresses, and Constance went up to her own room, where Mary, the maid, was zrranging the last piece of lace, and making the final preparations.

"I'll get you a cup of tea up here, if you like, Miss," she said, shrewdly suspecting that Constance would rather continue dreaming before the fire than go down to the others in the drawing room.

"Will you, please?" said Constance, jumping at the offer; and Mary left the room.

A few minutes afterward Constance, jumping at the offer; and Mary left the room.

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