

compartment open and a gentleman alight. It was Lord Norman! In a moment, at sight of him, Oscar Raymond stood motionless, then with the dark eyes that robbed his face of mind and slipped behind a pillar. Lord Norman held out his hand to some one in the carriage, and the found life considerably less worth the street. some one proved to be Lady Blanche. up to them from a second-class carriage. Oscar Raymond took in all the scene doubtless his mind was wandering to over. meant in a moment. They were married! He leaned against the pillar; his felt assured that the world was the arms folded across his chest, his head best of all possible worlds, and that drooping. They were married! The plot he

had conceived had been successful! Lady Blanche had triumphed, and the window sill behind him; and Lady she went up softly behind him and Floris Carlisle was left in the blank- Blanche stepped out and laid her touched his arm. ness of solitude and desertion. An awful rage and despair sprang that she was near.

full-born into his breast. said, softly, looking out on the city Lady Blanche looked more beautiful than ever as she stood by Lord that lay in the moonlight beneath ed the rail with one hand while the Norman's side. The old serene, placid them like a picture of Canaletti's. "I other flew to her heart. am awfully fond of Florence. And loveliness had returned to her fair one sees it at its best to-night."

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face, and shone in her velvety eyes.

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The halcony ran the whole length of which Lord Harry's stag had left as a the house, and, making a turn, reachmarry, unless he wished the old title ed the head of the staircase leading to he bore to die out. slight reminder. There was, too, a sad moodiness in the street.

Why not she as well as any other? The city looked so beautiful that he In time, he told himself, with a swift an effort he recovered his presence of its youthfulness, and was not good to felt tempted to a stroll. He got his pang-he should forget Floris, should hat from the room, and passing along learn to love Blanche.

It was the look of a man who had the balcony went down the steps into He made up his mind in a moment as he stood there. "Blanche," he said, laying his hand Ten minutes after he had gone, a

Lord Seymour followed, and the two trust of his fellows, which Rousseau tall figure, a duplicate of his, stepped gently on her shoulder, "will you be valets and Lady Blanche's maid came might have worn in his worst epoch. out from one of the rooms on the same my wife?"

For a moment the color left her face, floor, and, walking to the spot where grave. queer look in his eyes, and he had sat, went to the rail and leaned and her heart seemed to stand still. It had come at last. "Be my wife, Blanche," he said, also nice for all-over embroidery, As he did so. Lady Blanche came

which, with Floris by his side, he had through the window with the letter gently, "and I will try to make you flouncing, embroidered voile or dotshe had written in her hand. happy." She turned her face upon him and "Bruce, I have written my letter.

Shall we go and post it? A walk would looked at him with all her soul in 12 and 14 years. Size 10 requires 414 Absorbed in this moody contempla- be beautiful now, it is so cool and her eyes. tion, he did not hear a light step on pleasant. Bruce, are you asleep?" and "Ah, Bruce, you would have to try

such a very little. Ah, you knowvou know." ore The man turned round slowly and raised his hat, the moonlight falling

Then he bent and kissed her, and she put her arms round his neck and "How beautiful it is, Bruce," she fully upon his wan and haggard face. drew him down to her in a passionate

Lady Blanche staggered and clutch- embrace.

"Oscar Raymond!" she breathed, a false security. with ashy lips. "Oscar Raymond!" . . . . . .

Never very talkative, he had become Lord Norman stood for a moment remarkably silent and short of speech at the bottom of the steps, then aimsince the news of Floris' "falseness" lessly turned to the right and sauntered along the quiet street.

"Poor pape has gone to bed," she The beauty of the city, hushed in went on, softly, her hand resting on

his shoulder, so that her white, delicate fingers could touch his hair. "He is tired out. What do you think he said to-night, Bruce?" and she blushed and smiled.

living for-a look of doubt and dis-

He sat very still, and with the

some of those moonlight nights on

hand on his shoulder before he knew

He nodded, but did not speak.

life was well worth living.

Let Nature: "Don't know," came listlessly from his lips.

Clear Your "He said that we might have waited Blood intil we were married before we made this trip, and that it was confoundedly With pure, rich blood-a healthy

stomach—and an active liver—you may laugh at disease, and, you may have all three by taking like'a honeymoon. Poor papa. It was a little too bad to drag him across the channel; but it will do him good, and H Dr. Wilson's I am sure you are ever so much bet-

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And so she had won him at last. She was too clever to rest assured on

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wrist or elbow length.

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vards of 36-inch material.

hour, explanations might ensue, andand She persuaded him to take her,

Lord Seymour accompanying them on a continental trip. "We can be married at Paris Bruce. I hate London. Let us be

married at Paris." He had consented, as he would have done if she had asked him to take her European Agency.

n Florence, and in a few weeks they Wholesale indents promptly execuwere to be married. ted at lowest cash prices for all Brit-Lord Norman sauntered on, think- ish and Continental goods, including:

ng of it all, wandering mentally back o the old days when Floris was at his side, and he had so often tried to ersuade her to name the day for their nion. She had always put him off.

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