CHAPTER XX.

Barbara had drawn her veil closely over her face as she passed out of the hotel to the arched entrance where the dagcart was waiting. Her movements were languid and inert, and this time she did not refuse Walter Bryant's assistance, but let him almost lift her into the vehicle.

The market-place, with its bright gas-lamps, looked quaint and attractve, as they drove off; the shops in the High street were all brilliantly lighted up. Barbara's companion was silent for some time, but, when the lamps were left behind, he slackened speed, and addressed her.

"Well, did I speak the truth?" he esked, and his voice and tone brought all her misery.

spoke the truth to me," she repilled, bitterly, "but you lied to him." He smiled slightly.

"Why should I hold my peace?" he asked, "Why should I make myself a party to a fraud? I have not his reaions for doing so.' "You promised him."

'A man makes many a promise unfer compulsion which he does not heshate to break," he replied coolly."Why

In the telling than you have done,"she

"Doubtless-he is in love with you; I

"He is in love with me!" she ex-"Yet he loves you," he calmly rejoined, "Oh, Lord Keith need not be jealous. Robson has no intentions of "I will not keep you long, site it will not ask you to wait were it

She was silent. The insolent words scarcely moved her; her wound was so distance—they drove in silence. "What are you going to do?" he asked, after a pause.

"To do?" she repeated vaguely, for a moment not understanding his ques-

"Yes; what are you going to do?" "There is but one thing possible for me to do," she answered. "I must tell the truth!"

"Ah!" The monosyllable dropped from his lips, with a distinctness which was full of expression.

It was followed by another silence, after which he asked: "Have you quite decided? Have you

"There is no other course open to me," she replied wearily. "Is there not? That is folly. If I do not betray you, no other will, since no other knows of this but Robson-and he will hold his peace."

She raised her eyes and looked at

'I do not understand," she faltered. your attention for a few me time is short, you know, and we must settle this question before we return to the house.'

"I am listening." 'If you give your secret to the world," he began, after a short pause, "you lose everything - name, position, wealth. You will have to renounce ity; doubtless he would extend it to you in a measure. Are you cold, that of those women jealous of your beauty and triumph, of the homage you receive, of the proud position you will occupy as Lord Keith's wife-or, rather I should have said, the position you would occupy if you became his wife I fear you are very cold," he added.

a shiver of intense misery, not of cold. "What satisfaction can it be to you to increase my pain?" she cried."What wrong have I done to you that you take pleasure in my misery? Oh, think how hard it is for me! I have been so

happy! I am so wretched now!" "I take pleasure in your pain!" he cried. "Heaven forbid! I pity you, from my soul; and it is because I do The opinion was a painful one. The wise, Barbara, I would willingly make or six boxes for \$2.50.

nothing if you choose."

dusk her eyes were turned upon him death itself be easier? questioningly.

"You have but to hold your tongue," present position as long as you wish derision of those among whom she had ery even to him. "Oh, think what a "And you?"

Salt a Cause of

cive to kidney disease, and Professor shrined her there; he. too, must suffer Vidal has shown by experiment that if she spoke the truth. he can bring on the symptoms of The temptation was a terrible one. A help me, to tell me-Bright's disease and dropsy by giving few words left unspoken, and all things a person subject to kidney troubles a would remain as they had been durcertain quantity of salt each day.

use of highly-seasoned foods and alco- ruined, and those she loved would suf- you wish to see him? holic drinks, as well as in the use of fer, while she would know the most salt, are to be avoided by the sufferers abject despair! Would it be as wicked from diseases of the kidneys, and Dr. as it seemed? Even Mark, the soul of Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills will be honor, had not at first thought it nefound to be the most prompt and most cessary to tell Lord Elsdale of the misthoroughly effective treatment obtain- take which had given her so much hap- claimed.

Because of the sympathetic relation wronged no one, that she had made between the liver and kidneys, as the Lord Elsdale happier and cheered his the play there is to be a ball; among two great filters of the blood, disease lonely, desolate life. Mark had left it to the scores of guests here tonight, two seldom, if ever, confined to the her to make her own choice. He would kidneys alone, and it is on account of never betray her, and the other man slip out in the grounds for a few mintheir direct and combined action on could be bribed to silence. Once Lord utes!" the kidneys and liver that Dr. Chase's Keith's wife, who could touch her po-Kidney-Liver Pills prove so effective sition? His name, once hers, could dim light, had crept into her eyes. in curing complicated ailments of this never be taken from her.

as the most satisfactory treatment for —she would avenge her wrongs; she of the Japanese Railway Bureau. It postpaid, on receipt of price. Write us pill a dose, 25 cents a box, at all deal-

"I will be dumb also."

to her troubled brain. You wrong no one. Lord Elsdale is dress with entirely without heirs, no one living "Something white."

"Hush! How dare you!" "I beg your pardon; and yet what I will not say, in deference to your wish, white gown, with its old Flemish laces are desirous of establishing a factory

ent will say freely enough." "I know-I know," she cried wildly. "But you might spare me!"

sist on misunderstanding me? If you smiled bitterly as she turned away. secret of your birth; unless you decide herself, "even if that price is shame." otherwise, you may retain all these things you hold so dear. I will not betray you, and there is no one else."

an overwhelming torrent. I cannot vanced, Walter Bryant stepped out of think-give me time!"

"Of course, you shall have time," he he said calmly. "Have you noticed it? responded, knowing that in such a mo- The colors are glorious; you will see it claimed, with a sudden bitter laugh. ing—"as much time as you require; but "Throught stained glass," for your own sake, the sooner you come claimed with a scornful laugh. to a decision the better."

"I will not keep you long," she said, stained glass?" making you an offer; if he did make not that I cannot think now; my mind you one, there would be no chance of is too confused. Just now I can only you? Why do you speak in such an ag-The rest of the way-but a very short

although the servants standing about I want to speak to you." the hall looked after her in some sur- She seemed to hesitate a little prise, and her maid seemed a trifle cur- then she entered the recess.

ious as she removed her furs. rest until it is time to dress for din-suffered here?" ner."

seen mademoiselle so pale." sufficiently considered what you will do bara was resting on a sofa in an athat refused his offer of a seat, and children. if you carry out your present decision bara was resume on a sola in an at the stood rigidly erect, a tall, pallid figure titude of careless ease; but, when the stood rigidly erect, a tall, pallid figure maid had been d'smissed, Barbara in the evening light. "Where are all striving vainly to think. The faintness her. fever consumed her, yet seemed to give not resting and preparing themselves him, but there was not light enough to her future life passed before her, as it "You are not resting." her future life passed before her, as it "You are not resting." her strength. Vividly the pictures of for the fatigues of the evening. Lord Elsdale's wish, and since she had not well?" come back to England, she had been

absorped by the brilliant round of pleasure offered to her, and the intense happiness of her engagement. Lady Rose indeed had been kind to happy? The world is at your feet. Your her, but it was her nature to be kind success tonight will be immense. Surg- the blood is out of order, that the inyour engagement and give up all to all. She professed to dislike Miss by that will give you pleasure.

"Nothing but one thing could give upon you and may easily develop into more serious trouble. Don't dose you will become poor, ignoble. Either and kindly to her, if a little less effusder her roof, and she was as gracious me pleasure," she answered, with sud- to more serious trouble. Don't dose you must toil for your daily bread, or ive, as she was to Barbara herself. And "And what is that?" Blance? How great would be her tri- "To be freed from your persecution, right. Purgatives gallop through the umph! She, whose beauty had been to kill you or myself, if I had the system, and weaken instead of giving you shiver so? In either case your life dethroned from her queendom by the The words had no sooner been uttered medicine that will make new, rich, red blood build up the weakened nerves would be hardly a pleasant one. Then newer beauty's superior charms, who than she regretted them. not, in his suffering, turn to Blanche, is rather a mockery to call you Hat- medicine makes new, rich blood which and be consoled by her love for his ton, is it not?" first sad mistake? She was beautiful, "I ought not to have said that," she men and women feel bright, active with feigned solicitude, as a shiver ran she was not unfit to be his wife. If she mad with misery." cret of her birth and parentage—she am trying to make you happy, am, This medicine has cured thousands felt she must give up all hope of re- indeed, going against my conscience to and thousands in every part of the taining the love of the man whom she do so." felt that to surrender all-riches, honor, her-a laugh which made him look at Medicine dealers everywhere

so that I ask you to pause before you girl, by nature, was intensely proud, any sacrifice for your good." take any decided, irrevocable step. Re- upright, sensitive; but now all sense member, once you betray yourself, all of honor was deadened by the thought not cost you dear. Your duties here "All is lost already," she said bit- upon her, just at the time when her and carry with you the gratitude of the "All is not lost, and you need lose her future was spread out before her claimed, in a low tone of pain. "You are not that, Barbara!" he exclaimed if you choose." She started slightly, and in the gray it all up? Was it possible? Would not are not that!"

She shivered as she sat in the scented, fragrant room, so warm and so forehead against the cold glass; it he resumed, "and you may retain your bright, and thought of the jeers and seemed a relief to pour forth her misreigned a queen by right of her beauty terrible position mine is; think what and rank. It seemed to her that she daily, hourly wretchedness I suffer! anxious to have Mi-o-na, a remedy saw the mocking eyes and sneering At night I lie sleepless, dreading what which they sell as a cure for stomlips and careless laughter with which the morning may bring; in the day I ach troubles, tested rigidly in every her downfall would be received by live as it were upon a smouldering vol- case of heartburn, acute dyspepsia, Kidney Disease many who had smiled upon her and cano, ready to burst feigned friendship for her. She saw, me at any moment." too, the sorrow and shame of the grayhaired man who had loved her, who us." The excessive use of common table had opened his lonely heart—so deeply salt is said by scientists to be condu- and cruelly wounded already-and en-

ing these last most happy years; a few sharply. Excesses in diet, especially in the words uttered, and her life would be piness. Even he had said that she you?"

And it should be hers! She would There is no lack of evidence to prove keep silence; she would still hold the the efficiency of Dr. Chase's Kidney- wealth and the position so dear to her. Liver Pills, and to commend it to you Her mother had been cruelly wronged

She rang the bell impatiently, and in and the rivets imperfectly fastened. In ing stomach specialist which will be eager and smiling. She carried a par- aged through bad packing

cel and a great cluster of fragrant, A long silence followed. Trembling, yellow roses, at the sight of which breathless, her hand pressed against Barbara gave a little cry of delight. her heart, Barbara sat, the temptation "Lord Keith has come?" she said,

he placed before her forcing itself in- then turned suddenly pale. "Milord Keith has but just arrived "There is no sin in it," the quiet, me- He desired these flowers and this parlodious voice went on, "no sin at all. cel to be given to mademoiselle. What ademoiselle wear tonight?"

has any claim upon the wealth you She undid the parcel with unsteady would have inherited from him-which fingers and disclosed a morocco case you will inherit, if you listen to rea- bearing her monogram on the lid. She son. In a short time you will be Lord opened it; a necklace of exquisite Keith's wife, if you choose, and his rubies lay on the fair white satin, lordship, although, as I understand, rubles set round with diamonds. something of a prig, is an unexception- little cry of admiration escaped her, able parti, and, as I understand also, and her eyes lighted up with pleasure, devoted to you. Whether this devotion not so much at the costliness of the girt ported to the city council last night would go so far as to allow him to as at the love of the giver. She stoop- that after consultation with Messrs.

When she was dressed in her soft "You foolish child! It is because I The fever of her mind had brought a granting the concern free water.

CHAPTER XXI.

The setting sun streamed in at the knew the truth?"

"Give me time!" she said breathless-stained windows as Barbara walked lower that the looked after this year as far as A satisfied smile crossed Bryant's her. The girl stopped abruptly. "I have been admiring the sunset."

"Yes," he replied. "Why not through "You wish to speak to me?" grieved tone? Is it not natural?"

"Cruelty seems most natural to A Windsor Mill Foreman Smothered you," she replied, bitterly. Barbara regained her apartments un- "Cruelty to you must be always an noticed by any of Lady Rose's guests, impossibility to me. But, as you say,

"I thought the fresh air would rethis house!" she declared passionately. Sons, Walkerville, was found late this move my headache," Barbara explain- "I wonder if anything will ever wash afternoon. ed. "Get me some tea, and then I will out the remembrance of what I have

"It would do mademoiselle good if slight smile. "Well, it is not a sentient she could sleep for an hour," the wo- thing; it cannot feel the bitterness of been smothered to death. man said respectfully. "I have never your reproaches as living creatures do -as I do, for instance.

sprang up, and, locking the door, be- the rest?" he asked as he stood restgan to pace up and down the room in ing one knee on the cushions of the restless, almost unendurable agony, window-seat, his face turned toward and languor had all left her. A fierce "In the hall, at tea-those who are

would be if she lost her present posi- "I?" she laughed scornfully; she "I will explain," he said. "Give me love. She had abstained from making "It would have been wiser to do so; our attention for a few moments. Our any friends during her stay abroad, by you seem feverish and excited. Are you quite well. That's the spring feeling.

"Quite well-only-" "Only what?" "I am wretched!"

had lost all chance of Lord Keith's love "What a gentle wish!" he said, with and thus give you new health and -how she would triumph! He could a careless laugh. "For so beautiful a strength. And the one medicine to do not stoop to wed a nameless girl whose person you are singularly bloodthirsty, this speedily and surely is Dr. Wilvery existence was shame! Might he Miss-Miss-what am I to call you? It liams' Pink Pills. Every dose of this

and she had no stain upon her name— said faintly. "But you are driving me and strong. If you need a medicine told the truth-if she revealed the se- "I? Is that quite true? I, of all men, Pills and you will never regret it.

had never loved so well as now. She A harsh, terrible laugh broke from others it can easily do for you.

position, wealth-would be easy, and her with sudden anxiety. scarcely cost a pang, if she could only "I assure you that it is so," he con- from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., tinued earnestly. "Do not think other- Brockville, Ont., at 50 cents a box

"Then make one which surely canof this awful trouble which had come end tonight. Leave Darley tomorrow, life seemed most full of sunshine, when most miserable woman under heaven."

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"In whom?"

"In Robson and myself." "In him? Ah, my faith in him is unbounded. If he were but here now to me licine known for intestinal dis-"He is not far away.

"No. He was at Arlington today. Do "Yes," she answered eagerly.

"Then be in the shrubbery at mid-"In the shrubbery tonight!" she ex-

"How can I? How can "There is nothing more easy. After will not be missed. It will be easy to and nerve-strengthening powers.

A faint gleam of hope, unseen in the You will be there?" he asked. "I do not know," she answered.

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ing his tone to one of earnest kindness, to her cheeks. Her beauty, set off by He stated that all his firm desires to almost tenderness. "Why will you in- the fiery gems, was dazzling. She locate here is the exemption and the free water. The firm will employ 100 choose it, no one shall ever know the "I am worth my price," she said to hands and probably more. The company has secured a site in the northwest corner of Rectory and Simcos streets. After some discussion it was decided

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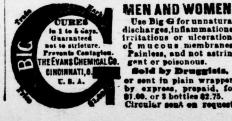
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