

THE STORY IN THE LONE INN.

She held out her hand. He took it

"You may think so to-night. To-

"Well, be it so. Farewell, Norma."

"Oh, Norma! not that. Say Alfred,

"A wish. Norma, that will never be

He shook hands, and, with a last

look at the pale, fair face, and tall,

"Pshaw! what was this mysterious

"Oh, I will answer it readily

enough! It is something you will be

his cigar between his finger and

"Eh? What? Just say that again,

"I am discarded, rejected, refused jilted! Is that plain enough to suit

your limited capacity, my young

Up sprang Lord Austrey to his feet,

and, flinging away his cigar, he

stretched out his arm, and putting on

that enthusiastic expression all Othel-

"What's the rest, Harnecliffe? I

haven't seen 'Othello' played lately.

Deuce take that cigar! I have burn-

"What a loss you are to the stage,

Austrey! If nature had not made you a British peer, you would have been

a treasure beyond price, to do the

high tragedy business, Have you

stage as the means of earning an

"Bah! don't talk nonsense! I wan to hear all the particulars. Are yo

ed my fingers."

will you?"

Disbrowe laughed.

Lord Austrey half arose, and took

"Adieu, my lord."

CHAPTER XX

"My lord," she said, with a dark, since to-night, as betrothed lovers, bright flash of her eye that reminded we part forever. him of Jacquetta, "you have no right to ask that question!"

"Perhaps not, but I fancy there has face. It was strange, now that the been little love lost on your side, and desire of his heart was attained, how that you are very glad to be rid of lonely and grieved he felt,

"Ah." she said, with a half smile, "did I not say your masculine vanity must henceforth meet as strangers." would be wounded? Confess, now, it would be balm of Gilead for you to morrow you will rejoice." see me shedding floods of tears, and bemoaning like a tragic heroine my hard fate."

"No, I hope I am not quite so sel- as you used to, 'lang syne.'" fish. Since we must part, I am glad you mind it so little-yes, I am!" he you some one you can love, and who said, trying hard to convince himself | will love you." he spoke the truth.

"Thank you! And now, my lord, fulfilled; but I thank you all the let me ask you a question-do you same. And so-" intend remaining for the present in Ingland?"

"Yes, I rather think so. I am tired graceful figure, he turned, and left rambling."

That is well. I want to go abroad | And so was broken the tie that was and travel for a year or two on the to bind those two through life. Continent; and if you were going, I It was in a strange state of mind of the pride of Albion's stately daugh- and sweet order, to his friend, to anhould remain where I am. So, when Lord Earnecliffe hurried along to re-Mrs. Tremain and Emily leave next join his friend. Pleasure and regret. "But you are sure your father will Austrey lay stretched on a sofa, so- Lord Austrey was always of their month, I shall go with them."

sure he will object, but I think I can nonchalant young lord. please. One thing I dread, and that news? What terrific mystery in iniis, what the world will say. I am quity has been brought to light? In to time to ripen their acquaintance mortified to death to think papa made what state of mind did you leave her to a warmer feeling. And Lord or uneven tire wear.

he not; but the world shall know how catechism? Ask a few more questions it is—that I am a rejected lover. I before you stop. What is the chief shall then have the consolation of be- end of man? What do the Scriptures ing pitied by bright eyes and rosy principally teach? Go on, why don't

She smiled—but her smile was as faint and cold as a moonbeam on interview all about? If the question snow, and she arose, to signify that is impertinent don't answer it." their interview was at an end,

"You will excuse me, my lord; my enough! It is something you will be head aches, and I am unable to en-very glad to hear. Her peeriess hightertain you just now. As this is prob- ness has rejected the slave, and you ably the last time we will see each other alone, I will bid you good-by,

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Crandall, Manitoba—"When I was young girl at home and working I ad terrible pains, almost more than I had terrible pains, almost more than could bear, and I was not regula These troubles kept me so thred a the time that I had no strength an no ambition to join in with my frien and have a good time. I was just tire and mistrable always and life justice and his grable always and life justice and his grable always and life justice. los wear, exuultingly cried; "Excellent wench! perdition catch my soul! But I do love thee; and when I love thee not, Chaos is come again! really, and truly, and seriously jilt"I really, and truly, and serious

alder to me ever since I was old ugh to know the lady; but I felt re she would smile at last. And she has, you see. Norma's mine!" "Don't be too sure. She may serv

vou as she has me." "No fear. The little Macdonald has tter taste. But what reason the damsel give?"

"None at all, except that I did not ove her-and, faith! she hit the right thing in the middle just then. and so the engagement was broken, now and forever. I felt about three inches high at the time. I can tell

"Te Deum! What a slice of good luck for George of Austrey! What s papa going to say about it?"

matters in their proper light, she says. She goes abroad with the Tre-

and Mrs. Tremain were twenty-sec- dom fail to please ladies; and Lord there's nothing like it," cried Lord tractions just at present, while the in both of his, and looked sadly in her

of course," said Disbrowe, feeling none of your flery mad-headed lovers, "It is a hard word to say, Norma, dreadfully hypocritical; for he was was quite content to wait, and conand harder still to think you and I amazed, he could scarcely tell why, so e himself with the maxim: by his friend's resolution of success. "Mieux vaut tard que jamais." "Successful! Of course I will.

There is no time when a girl is more ing given himself an invitation to disposed to smile on a new lover than join their party, which Emily Treafter she has discarded an old one, main-who called him "Cousin and, ahem! a Lord George Austrey George," and considered him delightis not to be come across every day, ful-had warmly seconded; they all "Good-by, Alfred. Heaven send I flatter myself. So, when Norma set off together for France. Norma, comes back to England, you may be too, was not displayed at this new ready with your congratulations, my acquisition to their party; for Lord Lord of Guilford and Earnecliffe.

CHAPTER XXI.

went back to Disbrowe Park, leaving taste for the ludicrous, in fits of his friend in London-a constant laughter continually. visitor at Tremain House. Whatever Just before starting, Lord George walked, and drove, and went to the and he entered the room where Lord theatre and the opera nightly; and make no objections to this overthrow lacing himself with a cigar and the party. His distant relationship to last Punch, he flung himself into a the Tremains stood him in good stead "No; on the contrary, I am quite chair, and looked half moodily at the now, and he took care not to be too in your car that often goes unheeded. particular in his attentions, but to yet that, if neglected, may cause serbe quite as devoted to Emily Tremain this unfortunate engagement known," peerless highness, Princess Norma?" George acted wisely. A handsome face If the wheels are wabbly, the wheel "It would be better, perhaps, had "Hadn't you better go on with the and figure, and gallant bearing, sel- bearings may be loose. To test for

Equal for Coughs

and cousins, or something; but it George could be agreeable, not to say just suits me exactly now! Won't I fascinating even, when he chose, Miss console our pretty Norma on the way! Macdonald might have the bad taste "Well, I hope you'll be successful, time coming, and Lord George, being

And at the end of the month, havagainst ennui and depression of spirits, keeping Emily Tremain es-Three days after, Lord Earnecliffe pecially, who had a strong natural

Miss Macdonald felt, she had enough sent an epistle, rather of the shor

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