he money from you; you know where t went. It was Spiers' plan to live

When he feared that you had perhaps

ent color to this, and he believed

that you had put her out of his way.

It was this I was going to tell you

"Thank God that I am free!" the

nightmare is lifted from me; You

will tell my mother, Ada, I know that

His face was flushed with excite-

ment, and he lay, with wide-open eyes,

gazing at the ceiling, but seeing noth-

Before his mental vision their came

a giorious picture—a picture of blue

skies, of golden sunshine and beauti-

ful roses: green fields and verdant

woods, the ripple of merry laughter,

the raptude of lovely women, among

whom was one, the fairest of all, a

human flower with pansy eyes, and

The mad rush of bitter memories

turned him dizzy, and he moaned

aloud. She was forever lost to him;

and he-well, he had pledged him-

self that very hour to one who had

a great claim upon him—to one whom

t was his duty to make happy if he

He felt her kisses on his brow, and

huddered. In his weakness he cried

for Gladys, and the woman he had

romised to make his wife smiled bit-

terly. Each cry was like the stab

pansies at her throat.

it will add a little to her happiness."

the night he came."



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CHAPTER XXXVIII.

"I am glad if I have been of service you, Sir Charles," she faltered.

I want to show you that I am grate-

and had seized one of his hands between her own. She bent her face

It was not till that instant that he remembered the passionate words she had whispered to him, the night that he was struck down. She loved the all-consuming love that raged him- But what a hopeless passion! She knew that he was not master of himself-even if he had no other love.

"No one knows that there was visited you that night," she said, at length. "He was allowed to escape. I would give no information to the

"Thank you; I am glad of this.

His brows contracted, as though by a sudden spasm of acute pain.

"Do not refer to it again," she whispered. "You are thinking of the check you gave to me; you are wondering what connection that can have with this man's story. What I have gotten, or that he did not understand done has only been done to help you.

"I will trust you in all things," he said. "I can never do enough for

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his weakness that he was ready to your heart for me?" grant her almost any request she might make. He felt that his load free I never can be, only by the hand of obligation was too great to be ever of death!"

His slightest wish was law to her, try and love me a little if you had no She deemed it heaven if he but smiled | wife?"

She told him of the visit of Herbert hesitation was keenest torture. Gardner, and that he would come again soon; but she thought it best make you happy. I owe you someto forget the promise she had made thing, Ada. Yes; if I had no burden to the young barister—to telegraph upon me, I would marry you, if you to him when his friend became con- wished it. I owe my life to you, and Herbert Gardner again, at present.

Even if he proved her enemy, she be- passionate love—the love you might lieved that she held the talisman that expect from me. I could not give you would win him to her side. Weak as he was bodily, the mind of love of that kind—to any but its first, Sir Charles was necessarily feeble, fond object. I could give you my esand Ada Craythorne knew that this teem-my gratitude. If you could be was the chance of her life. If she content with this, I would marry you, could get him to make some promise, Ada-I would marry you if I were he was naturally too chivalrous to free."

ever draw back, even when he knew that Gladys Howard was free. It was within her that urged her to throw every obstacle from her path to win I will be content with your esteem the man she worshiped.

He had been silent for a little while, and she had just promised to send to take even the smallest crumb, for Lady Hastings to see him, when she I can win your love by a life's devohid her face from his eyes.

"I want you to forgive me one thing, if you can," she murmured. That man came about the woman I "Anything," he inturrupted. "But her. She spoke as though he were cal work all over the world. am married to. He accused me ne there is nothing which calls for free.

my forgiveness." and continued:

"You must have thought me unmaidenly, Sir Charles, for-for-say- the happiest girl in the wide world ing things which I could not help." He did not profess that he had for- living-you never have had any wife!"

"What is there to forgive? You called herself Agnes Maitland. She suffered from required. confessed to a liking for me-"

love-do not call it mere liking. It is life and death to me. There is no harm in telling you this-there is ; no shame! You must have seen it. It is love like mine that makes it heaven to be within sound of your voice. You do not wonder now why I have scarcely ever left yur side! Whilst you were ill-unconscious-I could gaze upon you without fear of your displeasure. I found my delight and my joy in ministering to your every want! I was in a delirium of esstasy when you murmured my

name in your sleep." She was weeping now, and Sir and tenderly. "It is a pity to waste

the treasures of your love upon me A flerce fire fisshed into her eye nd she dropped upon her kn

if you were free, do you think that

say that I could give you my first,

that, for my heart is dead-dead to

"Oh, my love, I know that your

heart was given to Gladys Howard.

and your gratitude until you can give

me something more. I am content

get-do you forget?"

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of a three-edged knife. She clutched at the letter that was "Answer me, my love; would you an who loved him!

Bah! what was their love compared with the fire that consumed her

She waited until he slept again, then silently stole away; but her victory had brought her but little joy!

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Many non-consumptive, he main tained, had been at perfectly useless -happy because you have no wife expense submitted to hardships and Then she poured into his ears the sacrifices of tuberculosis patients, and had not even received the proper story told her by the woman who had treatment which the real disease they This is a matter of extreme gravity, read to him the woman's confession,

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