

At the Mouth of the Treacherous Pit

will tell me the story."

The gleam of defiance deepened in

"That in your sorrow you will come

"My true friend Lola," he said,

smiling; and the lovely face was al-

"You must promise me that from

"You must repay me in kind, You

an give to each other! This is the

"You are very good, Lola, to say so.

If I have added to your happin

is buried."

the dark eyes.

thrilling voice.

those words to me?

STORY OF LOVE, INTRIGUE AND REVENGE

CHAPTER VII.

There was silence for some moments. He found that, so far from swered, sadly, having extricated himself from a false position, he had increased his difficul-

"That is much to ask," he answered, gravely, "I must consider the question in all its bearings."

"What!" she cried. "Do you hesitate when I ask you?"

"I do not hesitate. I say it is a very serious question. A pledge of always respect your confidence, and friendship given and taken in that never ask any questions. I am glad you have told me this I shall under-

rose to his lips would, he knew, lead are to be friends, Sir Karl-from this

"I know what you mean," she said, loyal to each other at all times and with a sigh and a smile that were in all places. Do you consent to irresistible-"you mean that it is 34 this?" grave a matter as a promise of mar-

gest the idea. Why did he not make pact gladly?" that? He read the question in one glance, and he felt afraid of him-

"Of course it is a solemn pledge," swear it," he replied, she continued "but it is one that I. think you need not be afraid of. What to me, and in your joy you will seek a true friend? A man who rejected "I promise," he said, carried away an offer of friendship would not be by her beauty and her enthusiasm,

"I do not reject it. Miss de Ferras." The smile that flashed back to him true freind Lolla? Will you say ed him almost speechless.

"So you say, Sir Karl; but you do not seem to be in any hurry to ac- most transfigured with happiness.

"I repeat," he said, "that you are this very hour I shall take part in very good to me. You know what the your life; that you will think of me poet calls friendship—'love without often; that you will tell me your wings.' Your offer of it may be tastes, your likes and dislikes; that, doubly valuable to me for this rea- when you are absent, you will write son-I am not what is called a mar- to me frequently, and that you will rying man. I will tell you in all con- provide me regularly with your adfidence that I loved once, and most dress, so that I may write to you. unhappily. I have no heart to give, Promise to do this, holding my hands and knowing this, I ought to value in yours." doubly the friendship of a woman." "I promise," he replied, thinking

Her face paled at first as she lis- that her ideas of friendship were tened; then a gleam of proud defiance very elastic, and then reproaching with beck and nod they smile upor came into her eyes, which, if he had himself for the thought. seen it, would have put him on his guard.

are never to know the love of woman. would far rather have your friendfriendship is the next best thing. I ship all my life than the love of any should not have believed, Sir Karl, other man." that you were one to love in vain."



them; and then I did not think that for a few minutes to say farewell, I ployees and workers, each group havshall always be glad that I came," "I did not love in vain," he an-She looked so happy that he could

when we know each other better, you her. "How long will you be away from

His heart turned with loyal allegformer distrust returning. "The past iance to Dolores, for whose sweet sake and for love of whom he was going into exile. He would come back when he had ceased to love her, but "Perhaps you are right. I shall

"I cannot tell exactly," he replied. With undisturbed good humor she

when you are away? I wonder whether it will make you any happier to know that one faithful heart will it comfort you to know that?"

"Yes," he replied, almost hating How could he resist the sweet himself because he could not feel more grateful for all this kindness. "I must say good-by," she said, with lingering regret. "It is hard as you, Good-by, Sir Karl, Say to me "Swear to me that so long as we some kind word which will keep my both live you will be my true friend " heart warm while you are away." "The kindest words I have for you,"

he answered, "are the title you have given yourself-my true friend Lola."

"Yes, I will, Lola; I can easily from road dust-and worse... promise that."

by," she said. "Good-by!" (To be continued.)



are reckoned. My friends applaud: "Now I am happy," murmured jays who are my near-by neighbors. Lola. "Let me tell you and do not "The work you do," they say, "ker-"You are right," she said; "if you be shocked at my saying it—that I choo, inspires us all and pleases, for every fly that falls to die spreads "But," he said quickly, perceiving learn, like you, to ply our swatters." sations of a man being hanged, he the danger at once, "my triendship but now and then, while in my den, the swatter at a distance, strange thoughts arise—have not the flies a One day Bela Marify, a Hungarian right to their existence? They're junker, was found dead in his study, "your triendship is worth more to me happy things; on gauzy wings they with a rope around his neck and two ention; why do I croak the little folk | clined

slay the mules that bray around my

"You have not added to it; you have nade it," she declared. "And now Sir Karl, with the fear of all the of lended proprieties, I must go." Si ner own, "I am so glad I can

that will keep up their midnight yell-ing. I take no axe to swat the rake and guinea heng and cattle that hoot and

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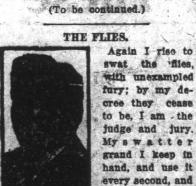
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not find it in his heart to reproach

"I think not," he replied, all his

day constant and faithful friends.

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