

A FASCINATING STORY OF MODERN LIFE  
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## CHAPTER VII.

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prospects there were, if any, of your turn to political life. She took none of us into her confidence. We none of us knew what means she meant to employ. She disappeared. She communicated with none of us. We none of us had the least idea what had become of her. Time went on and we began to get a little uneasy. You had a meeting and it was arranged that I should come down and see you. I came. I saw you, I saw the Duchesse! The sitting

"You are wrong, Duchess," he said simply. "I never believed in Mannerism or sentimentality. Today, with his own life he has confessed to me that another, unbroached reason, stands behind his refusal."

"And he never told me," the Duchess murmured, involuntarily.

"Duchess," Borrowdale answered, with a faint cynical parting of the lips, "there are matters which a man does not mention to the woman in whose high opinion he aims at holding an exalted place."

There was a knock at the door. The Duchess' maid entered, carrying a

—I wish you wouldn't."

Mrs. Phillimore shrugged her shoulders. "If I did what you wished all the time," she remarked, pettishly, "I might as well drown myself at once. Can't you understand, Hester?" she added, with a sudden change of manner, "that I must do something to help me to forget? You do want to see me go mad, do you?"

The girl turned half round in her chair. She was fronting a mirror. She caught momentary impression of herself—pale, hollow-eyed, weary. She sighed.

"There are other ways of forgetting," she murmured. "There is work."

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stood in the rear of the cathedral. Brother Tobias was in charge and Father Ouellette, a brilliant classical scholar, taught Latin and French. The Christian Brothers left St. John in April, 1877, and Dr. Philip Cox, now of the U. N. B., staff, became principal. In September of that year