

For Better or For Worse."

CHAPTER XV.

farther from the house," he said early? Must you go? Give me one kiss of your own accord, dearest," he

She hesitated for a moment. Oh, it truth!-but she could not. She put her arms round his neck, and kissed him-and she felt like Judas. She almost tore herself away from him, and , went unsteadily toward the house. She knew that she was white and shaking, and she fought for self-

The dance was drawing to a close chaos: all she could realize was the fact that he was here under the same would see him again, that she was going-to marry him.

she was pale when she met him in freshness and fragrance. As he held her in his arms, he told her that he want to scream aloud, and yet with a joy that was well nigh delirious.

He had made his plans. He would ardor and his joy. They parted, but to meet him again at breakfast. Kitwas there, and next her Harry Lashmore. He had been schooling him-

sation, but asked no questions, which was ominous. Lashmore finished his breakfast, and rose quickly.

"I must start," he said. "Would you ike to see my team, Miss Bowman?" Kittie murmured something, and followed him out. There was no opstood and watched him drive away celling as if he had taken her heart he whole of her, with him. When she returned to the dining-room, Mrs. Vanstone, reclining in an easy chair. languid with the exertions of the pre-

"Your friend gone?" she said "What an exceedingly good-looking man: distinguished, too. Is he an old ook as if you were being brought up pefore a magistrate, and were afraid of getting six months for larceny! A ing rudeness, but I stand in the place of a kind of guardian to you. Are you engaged to this gentleman? I ion't know his name."

There was a moment's silence "Yes," said Kittle desperately. "I-

"That is obvious," smiled Mrs. Van-

"We are to be married soon-in a

Mrs. Vanstone raised her eyebrows. "I congratulate you, my dear," she

"No, no; you are very kind," said

Mrs. Vanstone laughed. "Quite ose you. I have never had any one to

Kittie painfully. "But do not speak

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who was evidently half-beside himself

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with anticipatory joy. He had seen the parson. There were no difficulties n the way. He had told Mr. Coke, he was in love with, and wanted to marry her. Mr. Coke had behaved like a brick; had quite welcomed the news. He was really a good sort; for he had placed a cottage on the ranch at their disposal, and would be able to come to Eva until he came to course she was pursuing.

Why did she not sit down and write and tell him the truth? Why does a starving man refuse an invitation to upon her every hour of the day, but Good-by, Good-by, Mr. Lashmore Let her consider. After all, he loved her. He thought she was Eva; but it bridegroom. Indeed, it was far more was Kittie Norton he really loved. of a dream than a reality, the splen-There was no prospect of his marrying Eva Lyndhurst; why should he not marry Kittie, who loved him, and held in check by the strong hand of could make him happy? Yes; she the man beside her. His murmured live here with him, away from the dreaming still as they drove at a hard brilliantine, lawn, drill and denim are

This was mere sophistry; and she for half an hour while the horses restknew it, as she tossed through the sleepless night, and resolved that she land ate their picnic luncheon. would draw back while there was scorn and contempt. But in the morning her qualms of conscience disappeared, and she yielded to the prompt-

The days sped swiftly, the fortnight of probation, of mental and spiritual strife, came to an end, and one morn- his arm round her and led her into flushed and excited girl with a smile of the house were there as witnesses;

"I suppose the important moment

me; we shall eat it on the way." When Kittie had run upstairs to put on her outdoor things, Mrs. Vanstone regarded the bridegroom through

"Lashmore?" she said. "Do I re

that name. I wish I could 'tell yo how grateful I am to you for lettin ready?"

Yes; Kittie was ready. She stood pale and downcast, waiting on he lord and master. The wagon, with its team of high-spirited, restless horses was ready, also.

"Good-by," faltered Kittie. Mrs. Vanstone kissed her, and aughed, as if with amusement, at the palpable romance of the affair. She dipped simething, a dainty little jew



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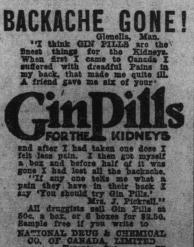
pace mile after mile, stopping only

for the last time that journey. She come. The Murrays had gone off to that was crawling on him in London; pay a visit, Mrs. Vanstone and Kittie he was almost blind as well as feeble, were alone, and the elder lady, re- and received them with senile nods clining on a couch, regarded the and chuckles; and the stolid couple

man chuckle. "A little form to go

wine, and Kittie put her lips to hers.

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