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Sweet Eva!

CHAPTER XL

All feeling was numbed, but there was just the faintest resentment in her heart still against someone—she wondered who it could be. She knit her brows, trying to keep her thoughts concentrated.

Ah, yes, of course! It was Tom Calligan with whom she felt resentful. It was he who had pushed her into this fresh hell of suffering; his hands that were forcing her to sit there beside Philip; her promise to him that had brought her to Apeley. She would write and ask him to let her off that promise—she could not go on suffering any more.

The car turned in at the drive and stopped at the door of the Highway House. She moved her cramped limbs and got out; she went on into the hall without waiting for Philip. There was a wood fire burning in the grate; she looked at it and her thoughts carried her back to the last night she had stayed here, when she had stolen downstairs to leave her note for Philip; she turned and looked at him as he followed.

"I suppose you burnt my note that night?" she said. "Burnt your note? What note?" She laughed as she met his eyes.

"Oh, only one of the many love-letters I have written you," she said with sarcasm. He passed her without a word and went on to the library. She stood looking after him.

"It was I who said that," she was telling herself in a sort of blind terror. "It was my voice—that awful, sarcastic voice. Oh, what will become of me—what will become of me!" She followed Philip into the library. He just glanced at her.

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and her pretty features had sharpened; there were hollows beneath her eyes, too, as if she had not slept. Was it because she was fretting about Calligan or that other man? He wondered. Since he had read that incoherent message on the torn paper he was almost sure that it must be Calligan for whom she really cared.

What had she meant by saying that there seemed nothing left in all the world but pain? One or two men whom he had run up against in town yesterday had dropped him a well-meant hint or two. Apparently Eva had spent all her time in Calligan's company, making no attempt to disguise the fact; she had been seen everywhere with him.

"Too many late nights, I expect, mother," Philip forced himself to say. "The country will soon pull her round again." He went out into the hall and met Eva coming down-stairs; she was dressed for walking.

"Where are you going?" he asked. "Only home—I want to see them all." "I told your father you were coming to-day." She looked at him quickly.

"You were very sure that I should do as I was told." "I did not tell you—I only asked." She did not contradict him; Philip took his hat.

"I will come with you." She laughed. "We are to make a good beginning, is that it? We are to let everyone see that we do sometimes go out together." She felt better when she had left the house. The throbbing nerves in her temple quieted a little, and the cool autumn air soothed her.

"It seemed strange to be walking with Philip; the last two weeks had seemed like years of separation; once she found herself thinking how very little he had changed, then she laughed, realising the foolishness of the thought—of course, one did not change in a few days."

"We met Mr. Faulkner at dinner last night," she said suddenly. "I didn't remember him, but he remembered me. Mr. Calligan introduced us all over again."

"Yes." "He told me it was all fixed up about Rhodesia, so I knew before I got your note."

"Yes." "I hope you will like it," said Eva; she felt that she must go on talking, anything was better than silence. "I hope I shall," Philip agreed.

"Silence again; it seemed impossible to avoid it; she tried to think of something else to say, but there seemed no other subject in all the world but Rhodesia, and the fact that a fortnight held but fourteen days."

"Does father know that you are going away?" she asked. "I have not told him yet. We will tell him to-day, if you like." "It doesn't make any difference; poor father! He will be upset, won't he?"



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