# Tale of Mystery

absolute trust. It follows, then, that

are making a howling mistake, o

with a smile of cheering goodwill and

confidence, "But, till then, nothing

hint, act, or pretend can ever shak

"You don't understand, Tom," said

the girl, when her lover appeared de

termined to wait till she did answer.

"No. I know that." he returned

mean to know all about it. No-" see-

ing her about to protest- "nothing

you say will stop me following this

"You must promise me to make n

"I shall promise nothing of the

kind, Listen, Dessie, You have

promised to be my wife. Up to tw

"That is not right, Tom," inter

posed Dessie. Her lover's protested

intention to find out what had hap-

pened appealed to her fears, and

roused her. "There must be an end

"A beginning, you mean," he in-

"An end," she repeated, quietly

There has always beeen a secret be

ween us. There was always some

thing I had to tell you which all the

same remained untold. Something

connected with myself-my past life.

ne ignorant of it we married. Des

sie?" he asked quietly. "But there

why ask a thing like that? Do I be

ieve you are a girl who would give

ourself to a man when you thought

here was anything in your life tha

rendered you unworthy, even in your

own opinion? Psh! Do I believe the

sun goes round the earth? Or that

the Lord Chancellor is necessarily

the best lawyer in the country? Or

"You have never believed I could

reat you in this way: Break m

faith and my word without a word

explanation. And yet I'm doing it.

"Precisely; and the fact only shows

ne how strong you believe the ne

essity to be. But it doesn't prove you

unfaithful to me," answered Tom, im

perturbably. "Perhaps you'll ask me

next to believe you've ceased to love

me. No, no, Dessie. I'm not going

to let you cheat me in this way. I'll

"Tom, I give you my word tha

nothing you can say or do can alter

this. Nothing you can find out can

even affect the end in the slightest. All that can happen would be that

you would see the inevitable neces-

"Well, that would be something

gained, at any rate," he answered

with dry humor. "For at present I

see no necessity at all. Listen to me

Despite all you said about the secret

that you were going to tell, but have

not told, you and I were in full ex-

pectation, three days ago, of being

married. When we parted here with

the thought, which was a little en-

vious, perhaps, that Mrs. Markham

sary as clearly as I do now."

any other obvious fallacy?"

"Was it anything you meant to kee

clue, already,

o all secrecy-"

erpolated.

inquiries," said Dessie.

CHAPTER XVI. Tom Cheriton Intervenes.

Tom Cheriton continued to stare at Dessie until his astonishment had giv- course. You'll come to see that some en way to sympathy, sympathy to speculation and speculation to close shrewd, scrutinising inquiry,

"Well, My dear child," he said, at that you or anyone else on this great length, "I suppose you know what glorious earth of ours can say, do you're talking about, because, as a rule you're a particularly sharp, level- my confidence in you. You feel that? headed little woman; but at present He stopped for an answer this time I'm in the dark, absolutely and com- meaning to draw her to speak grad completely, and must remain there until you tell me a litle more about things."

"I can tell you nothing. T-Mr." she stopped and hesitated, having begun to use his Christian name, and promptly. "Not yet, that is. But next tried in vain to bring out his sur-

He laughed; not boisterously or in amusement, but the encouraging, good- thing out to the end. I'm not without humoured, yet bantering laugh of a friend.

"That's no use Dessie." he said. brightly, as he looked at her. "My name's Tom, not T, and considering lips, and they've kissed me, you can't or three days ago there was not be so hard on them as to expect they cloud between us. Not a thought we can still say 'Mr. Cheriton.' It's did not share. against human nature, Dessie." He repeated her name, and emphasised the repetition

Dessie said nothing, and the man's heart ached as he saw that she was suffering keenly.

"What is the matter, Dessie?" he said, after a pause. "If you can tell me, do. I've been full of trouble about you since I saw your telegram and let-

ter yesterday.' "I can't tell you anything, Tom."

she answered. "I can't really. My

lips are sealed. I can't say a word." "Well, my dear, I shan't press you to speak, if you tell me that. If I am certain of anything on this earth. it is that you love me There's only one thing I'm more certain of, and that is that I love you. I'm not saying and I could no more put you out of my life than I could put an end t life itself; and God forbid I should ever harbour a thought of that kind."

tinued: "For love like ours-and we're not a couple who wear the advertisement of our mutual feeling on our sleeves there's only one possible foundation

He paused, and in an instant con-

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more of this. Tom." "Very well, then, it's clear, wheth-

lows it must be to do with you. What has happened in the meantime, then? Obviously, the only thing of consequence is Mrs. Markham's return." "Don't carry this any further. Tom. pleaded Dessie; but he paid no heed

to her, and continued. "Now, it's not to do with Mrs Markham. Yes, I know that, he said, seeing Dessie start. "But it has to do with the man who is going to marry her. That I know from Mrs. Markham herself, because she said that you were the same as ever when you both met, but that she noticed the change afterwards-after you and this Count de Montalt had met. know, therefore, where to look at the start. Now, one question, and even that I don't press: Is there anything you can tell me on that head?"

No. Tom. All I ask you is that ou really care for me you will no nake any inquiry at all. Leave hings where they are. Nothing car lter them.'

"That I cannot consent to do fo oth our sakes, child. I would rathe ou told me everything freely and lef ne to judge; but if you cannot -- an you may in some way have been for eed and bound to secrecy-I shall b the last to press you. But I mus scoundrel by the throat and wring the truth out of him. And I'm capable doing that in the last resort"

Dessie shook her head slowly, an lifting her hands let them fall with gesture of despondency.

in a thing like this I cannot have the "It can do no good. Tom, not th slightest shadow of doubt that you east. If you wrung everything out o are doing what you think best. You nim it would only show you wha his bar betweeen us is, and how opeless. day." He paused to glance at her

His knowledge of her was shrewd that he could not but be in ressed by her stolid insistence upo his: but he was vexed with himsel at the same time for his inability resist the feeling. Till this mome ne had not gone very close to h side, but now he moved very quickl to her, and before she could resist his arm was round her waist, her han fast clasped in his and her face clos o his, while he spoke rapidly an

"Dessie you must not cast me awa ike this. You haven't thought who you are doing. You haven't though what it really is and all that it mean o us both. You give me no word o reason or ground, but merely 'W must part. There is a bar which makes our marriage impossible.' The must not be. Do this. Marry me a once. I'll take you on trust, sweet heart, with all the barriers and ever thing else. If you don't love m there is no such thing as love any where. If you're not as genuine an rue a little woman as ever breathe there is no genuineness in woman

come, dearest, kiss me and say yes. For a moment she clung to hin kissing him with quite unusua warmth, and he thought she was con senting. But it was only that sh ound it impossibe to resist the tem otation of the caress he offered, eve though it should be the last.

"Don't make this harder for than it is dear," she whispered. " is worse than death itself to part fro. you. But part we must. All I can say is that since we met last I have discovered a reason I did not know before, which makes it impossible for me to marry you. I am not fit ic be your wife." She said the last words slowly and falteringly, and

lrooped her head. Cheriton took his arm from he waist and placing both hands on her shoulders held her so that their faces were close together, and she could in 4 sizes: 8, 10, 12 and 14 years. not help looking at him. He gazed kindly and gravely into her eyes, and then shaking his head, he said gently and with a smile.

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in any way, but certainly not like My dear, that is not true-and don't ever say it again, or try to deceive "It can do no good to think any me in that way. But I won't make this harder for you. God knows this harder for you. God knows i rived at Barbadoes from Pernambuco can see it's hard enough. Listen, and Monday, after a run of 15 days. er you answer or not, that whatever | don't try to break away. Kiss me this is it is something that has hap- once more. I don't give you up. Despened since then. It is nothing on sie, I won't. I don't care what you my side or to do with me, and it fol- think the bar is-and I don't mean to let you continue to think what you do about it. You are a clever little body, but in this fight you're overweighed. That man's too many for you: and he frightens you. But he won't frighten nie. And I'm going

straight off now to see him." "Don't go, Tom. Please don't. You don't know what you are doing. know you want to do the best; but do believe me this is impossible. You can only do harm. Please, please don't go to him."

"My dear child, anyone who plays on a woman's fears in the way this tellow is doing is a scoundrel to be faced by a man whom he can't bully and not by a woman whom he can." "But I have done this voluntary if I could alter it, I would not.'

"Which only shows me his hold over you is all the stronger. But a housand words won't move me from this purpose, child. I should be craven fool if I refused to follow where my love, my instinct, and my udgement all point. Do you think lon't hold you worth a fight? Don't e too downcast, Dessie. This will urn out much less terrible than yo hink when I face it-and face it will at once. Good-bye; you may xiss me. We're still just as muci engaged as ever and our marriage vill scarcely be delayed an hour i onsequence of it."

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DEFENDED HIMSELF WELL. Const. Aylward, who is only a recruit in the police force, defended himself vell when attacked the other ever ing by a burly drunk and others the West End. He is a cousin Mike Shallow and showed when at acked that he could look after his self almost as well as that pugilist

HARBOR FULL OF SCHOONERS. p with schooners. As most of then re waiting their turn to get sait, they moored in the stream, making very difficult for steamers and targe vessels to get up and down. No loubt Capt. English, the Harbor Maser, will see that the regulations are etter carried out.

BERGS MENACE TRAPS .- People com Grate's Cove and neighborhood who arrived here within the past few days say that a number of cod traps have been set out there and that several icebergs have drifted in amongst The men are fearful that their traps will be torn up by these pergs, which are a great nuisance

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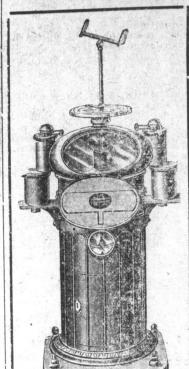
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