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THE BETRAYAL

A Powerful Fascinating Serial Story.

with dreams of her, with delightful but impossible visions. My very nerves were full of the joy of her presence. It was madness to ask for my judgment, when the very poetry of my life was an unreasoning and hopeless love for her. "I cannot!" I muttered. "I ou must not ask me."

She seemed surprised. After all, I had guarded my secret well, then.

I set my teeth hard. I longed for Ray but there were no signs of him.

"Your father has ordered you to break your engagement with Colonel Ray," I said, "but he has done so under a misapprehension of the facts. You owe obedienre to your father, but you owe more—to—the man whose wife you have promised to be. I do not think you should give him up."

She listened eagerly. Was it my fancy, or was she indeed a little paler? Her eyes seemed to gleam with a strange softness in the twilight. Hat head dropped a little as she resumed her former thoughtful attitude.

"Thank you," she said simply. I believe that you are right."

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"It hought," I said, "that he had money."

"It has all gone," she answered, "and well, things are not very flourishing with him. Our mission over here has been unsuccessful, and they have stopped sending us money from Parls. How queer that I should be telling you this!" she added, with a hard little laugh, "you of all people in the world. Guy take my advice. Get up and go. If he guesses who you are he will come and speak to you—and you are better apart."

It was too late. With fascinated eyes I watched him leave his place and come towards us. I was absolutely powerless to move. Mrs. Smith-Lessing had left the outside chair vacant. He sank into it and leahed across the table towards me.

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"I do not wish to resign, sir." swered. "I have explained certain seemed to me might make my resigna.

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The urbanity slowly faded from the Duke's face.

"I am your employer," he said coldly.

"I do not understand why you thought it necessary to go to Colonel Ray."

"It was entirely owing to Colonel Ray, sir." I answered, "that I received the appointment, and he has practically made himself responsible for me.

"You are mistaken," the Duke answered. "The responsibility is shared by all of us. Your unfortunate history was known to the whole board."

"Then I am less indebted to Colonal Ray, sir, than I imagined." I answered. "I am very glad, however, that it is known. Perhaps Lord Chelsford may not consider my resignation necessary?" "The circumstances being—?"

"I have seen and spoken with my father in oLndon," I answered.

The Duke was silent.

KING LEOPOLD AND TROPICAL M

His Majesty the King of His Majesty the King of the yesterday entertained Sir Al and the leading workers at pool School of Tropical Munch at the Palace, Brussels The party left Harwich nesday night for Brussels, sisted of the following: S Jones, K. C. M. G. (presiden Liverpool School of Tropical the professor of tropical mediuniversity of Liverpool (Mald Ross), the dean of the walter Myers lecturer in

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vestigation of sleeping sicks Majesty extended a cordial to the representatives of t and showed his appreciation work by bestowing uccoration Major Ross, Professor Boyce Todd. He congratulated the progress which had attended the progress which had attended the progress which had attended to the progress which had attended to the promised his head to the promise of the pro

A complimentary luncheon essor Ronald Ross, C. B., R. Boyce, and Dr. J. L. To cognition of the decoration conferred on them by His Micking of the Belgians for se king of the Belgians for se research into tropical diseas Liverpool School of Tropical 1 was given by the Lord Mayor pool (Alderman Joseph Ball) at the Town Hall, Liverpool, lowing was the list or acc Lord Mountmorres, Sir A Lord Mountmorres, Sir A Lord Mountmorres, Sir A d Mountmorres, Sir A Jones, the Lord Provost of E (Sir Robert Cranston), Si Barr, Mr. George Brocklehu W. Adamson, Alderman F. S. T. F. Harrison, Professor M. A. R. Marshall, Mr. W. Rob Evans, Colonel Frank Wall Henry Jones, Dr. Nisbet, (cha Henry Jones, Dr. Nisbet, (cha Henry Jones, Dr. Nisbet, (cha E. Barker, the Belgian const E. Seve), Mr. C. Livingston, on, Mr. F. C. Danson, Mr. R. land, Alderman M. Hyslop Mr. A. H. Milne, Colonel Dot Ellis Edwards, Alderman C. Mr. A. Lawrence, and Mr. J. The Police band played durin

Mr. A. H. Milne, Colonel Dot Ellis Edwards, Alderman C. Mr. A. Lawrence, and Mr. J. The Police band played durin ception and repast.

After the loyal toasts had honored, the Lord Mayor, in ing "Our Guests," said he ha these three distinguished gent accept the hospitality of the To because he considered tha should be paid to whom hon due. Under the auspices of th pool School of Tropical Medic fessor Ross, Professor Boy Dr. Todd had undertaken the tion of sleeping sickness, Dr. Todd had undertaken the tion of sleeping sickness, which work the King of the contributed a sum equal to English. Having been satisfic the work which was so ef done and of such great valu Majesty conferred upon these men a decoration of a person acter. He was sorry that P Boyce was not present. He ha to have attended this compil luncheon, but his doctor forbs to travel from Harrogate. Prohe remarked that Professor R just received the honorary de Doctor of Law at Aberdeen Un (applause), while in 1902 Doctor of Law at Aberdeen Un (applause), while in 1902 awarded the Nobel prize for coveries in malaria. Dr. J. L. T a medical graduate of McGillsity, Canada. He had particip several very important expedithe Liverpool School of Tropic cine, and had been identified w late Dr. Dutton in carrying out tensive study of sleeping 'Professor Boyce was the dean Tropical School, which owed it tion to Sir Alfred Jones and P Boyce's energy. As chairman School of Tropical Medicine Sh Jones had brought to bear greiness capacity, much foresig bounded generosity, and an bounded generosity, and an of enthusiasm, without which t or enthusiasm, without which it would have lacked much of it. The Tropical School had only operation since 1899, and by 190 000 had been collected. Never money more profitably spent the 1890 of States of the profitably spent the 1890 of States of the 1890 of £48,000. Sixteen expeditions he sent out to tropical and sub-countries. About 900 cases of tropical diseases had been tre a special ward in the Royal S Hospital, Liverpool, and he we that they had the chairman of hospital (Mr. Wm. Adamson than the day Moreover the

them that day. Moreover, the honored with the presence of t gian consul, and through him ged to assure His Majesty the the Belgians of Liverpool's wa preciation of his gracious act Royal Cheque. Sir Alfred Jones, in cordially ing the toast, read a translatiletter from the secretary-Congo Free State, dated Brusse tember 28th. It stated: "You m Congo Free State, dated Brusse tember 28th. It stated: "You m ference to the fact that if His? Leopold II would consent to m annual subscription of £1,000 period of five years, the Li School of Tropical Medicine we relieved of relieved of pecuniary difficult have the honor to inform you the Majesty the Sovereign King, reing to this appeal, has authority to place at your disposal a s £1,000. We hope that this su tion will not be the last which be made to the institute."

A letter was read from Pr Boyce, who said the nonor to and his colleagues was really the Liverpool School of T Medicine.

Professor Ross, in response, red that he had been previously ed at the Town Hall during the and chicken pox. He believed t the discovery of the causes su eases could all be wiped out plause).

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Dr. Todd, likewise acknow the toast, drew attention to the posed memorial to Dr. Duttor had left a glorious example o sacrifice. (Applause).

The Belgian consul expressed, name of King Leopold and his countrymen, their congratulati the success of the Liverpool Sc Tropical Medicine, which was all over the world.

The Lord Mayor directed the following telegram should be sking Leopold: "Grand Maricha Cour, Brassels,—Please convey Majesty the King of the Belgia very hearty thanks of myself a School of Tropical Medicine for corations conferred upon Pro