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CHAPTER XXXI.

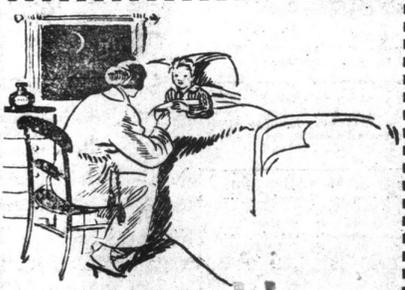
"Agatha—sister, shield my memory. Never betray me to Philip; do not let him despise me. Never tell him the story of the tower. Perhaps in after days, he may ask you why you did not understand him; then, sister, for our father's sake, spare my memory and keep my secret. I would have died to win his love; I do die to preserve it. Do not let him despise me. Let him love my memory even as he has loved me. When to-morrow comes, and when you know what it brings, for my sake consent for once to see my betrayer. Tell him I preferred death to life, and that the only sin I cannot forgive myself is the sin of ever having loved him. Tell him his schemes, his hopes, and his plans are ended,—that in his hour of need no mercy will be shown to him, for he has hunted me to death.

"And, Agatha, my darling, gentle sister, after awhile—when you have ceased to mourn for me—make Allan happy. You are good, you deserve a man, and I shall be at rest. Make Allan happy—and take care of Philip.

"I leave one legacy to you—the care of my memory. Guard my secrets; come when you have read this into my room. Kiss my lips, and promise me that no one, save yourself, shall know why I have died."

CHAPTER XXXII.

There was no lighter, happier heart in the world than Agatha Lyne's on that evening as she listened to the story of Allan's love. She had always liked him; there had been a time when she had preferred her cousin, Lord Lyne; but he had not loved her, and she was not the girl to waste her life in vain sorrow and regret. When Philip's image faded, Allan's took its place. She had cared for no one in London, because she felt that he loved her, and she liked him better than my one else.



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would have been very different for us both if years ago I had come home to my father's house. But you love me, do you not, although you have not known me long?"

"I love you all the better for that," said Agatha, with a bright smile. "I have to make up for all those lost years."

"And if I have ever been unkind, or cold, or cruel to you, you will forgive me?" continued Inez. "I shall sleep better, dear, if you will kiss me and tell me so."

Agatha threw her loving arms round the stately figure of her sister; she drew the white, beautiful face down to hers, and kissed it again and again. "I have asked you something in this letter, Agatha," said Inez. "Promise me you will do it."

"I promise you, dear," replied Agatha; "and now try to sleep. You look so ill, I am frightened."

Once more Lady Lyne kissed the sweet face with its golden hair; then, with a gentle, noiseless step, she returned to her own room.

"Yes," she said to herself, "I shall sleep well. I wonder if all sin brings its own punishment, as mine has done."

She did not look this time at the mirror; had she done so, the white face, with its awful look, would have alarmed her.

Once more she went to the window, and looked her last on the blue sky and the fair earth.

"Farewell, life, beauty, hope and love!" she murmured.

Then came to her, as she stood there, a vivid recollection of Bertie Bohun; she saw again the brave face, and heard the earnest voice.

She remembered his words—"If you ever are in trouble or want a friend, send for me!"

She wondered, with a dull kind of wonder, if he could help her; but no, the web was woven tightly round her, and there was no escape.

"His last recollection of me shall be a pleasant one," she said, drawing the folds of her dressing-gown around her. "Oh, mother, mother," she murmured—"the mother whom I never saw or knew—if you had taken me with you, I should not have been left to die alone."

In the clear, calm stillness of the bright Italian night she laid herself down upon the bed she was never more to leave. The rich masses of hair fell over her shoulders, a few tears, so burning that they seemed to scorch her face, ran down her cheeks, the last poor Inez would ever shed.

The hand that raised the fatal phial to her lips never faltered, something like a prayer, a wild cry for mercy escaped her, then the nerveless hand fell down, and Inez, Lady Lyne, "slept well" at last.

Agatha wondered for some little time at her sister's strange visit, but her thoughts wandered to Allan, and then she forgot it in her busy dreams. It was the broad, clear morning light that awoke her at last—a sunbeam, peeping right into her room, and seeming to reproach her for sleeping so long.

It was not until she was wide awake that the young girl remembered her sister's visit, and the letter. True to her promise, she first looked at her watch,—it was just half past seven; then she turned to the papers and began to read them.

A horrified expression gradually stole over her face as she read that confession. Pity, compassion, and shame succeeded each other rapidly in her mind. Could it be that her beautiful, gifted sister had done this—had married secretly, and never even told Philip? When she understood it fully, and found that it was the count who had blighted that young life, she shivered with sickening apprehension. That her sister, Lady Lyne, of whom they were all so fond and so proud, could have deceived her husband so basely—oh, why had she not told him all when she found the count still lived? Pity came after anger. What had she not suffered!—what hidden anguish, what untold tortures!—and then, with ever-growing surprise, she read how she herself had been betrayed.

"Then he did love me, after all," she cried, "but it is best as it is. Allan would have been wretched without me. Poor Inez! she has been stung against as well as stinging."

(To be continued.)

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Rose experts are at a loss to know whether it is the soil, or water, that is responsible for the excellence of the roses that are produced there. The greenhouses are the largest in the world. Some of them contain 100,000 plants.

There are 25 or more miles of steam pipes in some of the larger groups of houses. It is imperative that a uniform temperature of 61 to 71 degrees be maintained to secure the best results. The largest structure is 60 feet in width and with a length of 400 feet. There are four companies engaged in the rose production and each has certain specialties.

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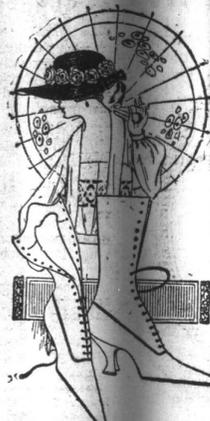
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