# THE WEDDING RING. By BERTHA M. CLAY,

least," she said, "I told

you I would never break my husband's eart." But it struck him there was no long-

the same fire and animation in her words.

"You will come this evening," she said, "and tell my husband all."

"Paul," said Ismay, as they sat to-gether watching the sunset, "do you see that stranger at the garden gate? He is coming to tell you the strangest story you ever heard in all your life."

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and our boy-to visit him-you with-out me !" 'Perhaps he wants to see me first,

she returned. "It may be that he will ask to see you next."

"You without me !" he repeated. "Oh "You without me!" he repeated. "Oh. my darling, do not think I feel it be-cause he is rich and great! That value no rank-I value you, my darl-ing. If he should take you from me!" "He cannot!" she whispered. "Who can take me from you? Am I not your wife-your own wife?"

His great love, his passionate de-spair, touched her; she felt that she would rather die it han leave him. Paul forgot that they were not alone; he knelt at her feet, clasped her hands in his own, and covered them with kisses, with passionate tears.

CHAPTER X.-Continued As she spoke her lips grew white. Yes, she was sure to come back, she repeated to herself. She wanted only one glimpse of the great world, and then she would come back. "You think, if Mr. Waldron knew what Lord Carlswood has proposed, he this visit ?" said Mr. Ford. "I am quite sure of it; he would prevent my going." "Why ?" asked the lawyer, briefly. "He would be afraid that I never should come back." she replied. "But you do intend to return-you had no idea of accepting Lord Carlsso of novelty. The little child looked from one to the other with wondering

"How can she leave him?" thought "How can she leave him?" thought Mr. Ford to himself, "She has a stronger nature than I thought." He turned away when Paul Waldron head his wife in his arms and tried to say farewell.

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"You must enjoy yourself as much as you can, Ismay. Do not sadden yourself by thinking of me here all alone 1 shall be happy in thinking of you; and, oh. my darling, my darl-ing" he cried, "be true to me! Re-member, the whole world can give you nothing so precious as my love."

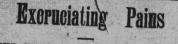
Paul Waldron heard Mr. Ford in stufified silence, in bewildered dismay, as he listened, a passionate cry of de-spair came from his lips, and the law-yer's heart was touched with pity. When the story was finished, Paul for-go the stranger's presence; he turn-ed to his wife with love and tenderness unutterable. "So, my darling," he said, "my beau-tiful love, you are a great lady after all." "I am your wife, Paul," she rejoin-ed, her lovely face softening at the sight of his great emotion. "And then he watched her until she had passed out of his sight. His love for her was so great, that if in that hour he could have foreseen all that he had to suffer he would have died. Mr. Ford was surprised to find how soon Mrs. Waldron recovered her spirits. She had wept bitterly at tears were soon dired. She enjoyed miration she excited; her vanity was flattered by the admiring glances cast thought of his great emotion.

white, graceful neok and exquisitely-moulded shoulders were fair as the soft gleaming pearls, the rounded arms were perfect in shape, as were the fittle white hands, with their pink-the figures, the slender figure, the features of the glorious young face. She smilled to herself. "I wish Paul could see me now," she thought; and then she reminded her-sieft, "I must not forget to write to him."

where." After dinner, while he paused in his conversation, she looked up at him sud-

denly. "I must not forget to write to Paul, my husband," she said; "he will be my husband," she said; "he will be waiting so anxiously for a letter from me." Lord Carlswood waved his hand with

a courtly gesture. "Will you oblige me, Mrs. Waldron, "Will you oblige me, Mrs. Waldron, while you honor me with your society, by refraining from all mention of that person's name?" Her face flushed with anger-some proud retort sprang to her lips; but prodence won the day — she made no realy



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