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# Lady of the Night

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### Amelia Makes a Success

CHAPTER XXXVIII. "NORA!"

of Night-the girl I danced with-! How is it then you are here? Where the clouds. have you come from? Where"-his voice broke for a moment-"where is your husband?" His hand fell from her arm, and his face became gloomy. She sank into a chair, and murmur-

ed almost inaudibly-"I have no husband. I am not mar-

The blood rushed to his face, and me a little time! Keep my-ourhe leant towards her with his hands secret for a little longer. Be kind, be outstretched; she noticed, even at that moment, that they shook.

"Not-not married!" he exclaimed hoarsely. "Then-then that woman lied! But why did she do it-why did you disappear-where have you been Nora?" For she was silent and his voice dropped lower. "But I don't care for the moment. It is enough for me afraid of me, Nora?" he demanded in never run away from me again."

a broken voice. Her lips trembled, a flush stole over her face. "No," she breathed faintly. "It was because because of a blow; she struck me-my stepmother. And I

couldn't bear it. I had to go." Eliot's face had gone white, and he breathed heavily, "Struck you! Struck you! Yes, I can understand. But why didn't you come to me? You knew I loved you. Ah, I see! You did not do so because you-you-didn't love me." She broke down at this. The storm ing me as if I were her son?"

which had been gathering in her looked at her for a moment in silence. his arms and crushed her to his hers. breast. And there she lay in the haven "I might have known," she said in

of those strong arms, her tear-stained scious of the touch of his hair upon her cheek, the kisses rained on her bowed head.

believe that I've got you here in my arms at last, that you love me, that you are not married, but mine, mine!" She smiled up at him through her "Nora!" he repeated. "It is you! You here! You are Ada Merton—the Lady and the spirit of the old Nora was shining through it, as the sun pierces

> "It was because I loved you thatthat I hid from you," she whispered with a burning blush.

ing her tightly. "Tell me, Nora; tell "Not now," she pleaded. "Oh, give

patient, with me, Eliot. It is so hard to tell you-Perhaps when you know you won't care for me any longer!" He winched for an instant; he look-

ed into the pure eyes lifted up to him; and he laughed the old short laugh, all this time? Won't you tell me which was the sweetest music she had ever heard. "Have it your own way, dearest,

he said, laughing again, "You shall that you are here-and free! Put out tell me when you like, and how you your hand. I want to be sure, by touch- like. I don't seem to care what has glad to hear that I am now able to the fight. Kindly send others as soon ing you, that I am not dreaming. Why happened; it is enough for me that prove that this gentleman here, the as possible. have you done this—run away, disap- I've got you here, tightly, safely. And peared? It wasn't because you were I'll take precious good care that you

"I never will, Eliot," she murmurer in her haven. "But you will let me have my way, dearest? You will say nothing about our-our loving each other, about my real name, till I give you leave?"

"Right!" he said obediently. "I'm not to tell the dear old lady. Miss Deborah?" She shook her head. "Do you understand, dearest, that she was my father's sweetheart, that she is treat-

bosom burst in a flood of tears. He dicated by a succession of rapid nods sternly; for he guessed what was com- the gaff and took the deadly bitters, her comprehension of all that his Then he knew. Something in her at- words meant. She saw that Eliot was titude revealed the truth to him. He no longer poor and friendless; and sprang to the bent figure, caught it in she was glad for his sake, not for

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ed all in a moment: she has got you. Eilot! Keep our secret for a little sit down-well, one more, but only

the door opened, and Miss Deborah en Roy Chapman Andrews. tered with almost a sprightly mien. In reality they are perfectly nice "It's all right, my dear boy," she well-behaved brigands, but occasion said. "We'll see that you are comfort- ally they forget their manners and

Eliot laughed, with such a strange note of joy in the laugh that the old Each time the brigands make a foray sound of wheels.

can that be? Why some one is coming

CHAPTER XXXIX. WR. STRIPLEY'S REVELATIONS. In a moment or two the door opened and Mr. Stripley entered, in a vast

doorway and grinned. "Well, now!" he exclaimed, "what you do, sir? To think, to think that you of all men should be here on the

nothing could be more pleasant or sat- off go their heads. Mr. Eliot," as Eliot helped him off as when they left, the soldiers return business; at least, I only want one above the gates. The commander piece of evidence; an important piece, sends a report to Peking of a desper-

continued with a chuckle-

son of your old friend, Mr. Paul Graham, is the proprietor of one of the largest properties in Australia.-Wait, don't speak!" he said, though no one had attempted to interrupt him. "I canexplain in five-and-twenty words, Mr. Eliot, how you have been robbed for years and years by that specious, ofly, double-faced"-he gasped for breath-"unscrupulous, overbearing tyrant,

my master. Sir Joseph." Miss Deborah had sunk into a chair, and nodded placidly as if in corroboration, as if she shared partially, at any rate. Mr. Stripley's knowledge. Eliot leaned on the table his eys fixed Nora's eyes sparkled, and she in-on the grotesque face, his lips drawn

> "Yes, Mr. Eliot; yes, Mr. Eliot, sir, continued Mr. Stripley, "Providence has allotted to me the task of unveiling as dark-dyed a villain as you could find even in the City of London, Under the pretence of friendship, Mr Eliot, Sir Joseph stepped in when your father was ruined and took the estate off his hands, on the understanding that if things came right when the estate, mind you—should be handed over to Mr. Graham's son-that's you Mr. Eliot, of course, I know this, because I once caught sight of Sir Joseph's part of the agreement. He always kept it locked up in a safe; but he happened to leave it out one slow we think we are retreating. morning, and I got a sight of it. He Progressive merchants wisely strive came in almost before I had read it, and put it back in the safe; and there profiteers are still alive, and make it is now, and we'll make him produce it; for I am sorry to say that I can't find amongst the papers your father sent to Miss Deborah, which I have gone over most carefully, his part of the agreement. But we'll make Sir Joseph produce his counterpart; we'll call upon him for an account of the estate. It's no use his refusing to produce the agreement, because it's the only title he's got, and as for the account, why, I've got a duplicate!" He chuckled and crowed like an

over-grown baby, and struck his breast pocket dramatically. "And these accounts will show that not only was the estate cleared of all encumbrances at your father's death, but that the profit has been increasing year by year; so that in addition to the estate—an extremely valuable

property now-Sir Joseph owes you the e-nor-mous sum of, in rough figures"-Mr. Stripley dragged out the words as if they were too sweet to be parted with easily—"of fifty-four housand pounds!"

Having delivered himself, Mr. Stripley wagged his head and, with a solemn chuckle of enjoyment, droppe into his chair. The audience of three gazed at him and then at each other "What do you think of that for a fortune, Mr. Eliot?" demanded Stripley. "And you'll get it. too; that's the est of the joke! A little while ago, a nonth ago, Sir Joseph would have gone stony-broke if we'd pressed him. Oh, I know, I know! I'm a dog, a pig, a lout, an idiot! I may be everything he and Mr. Selwyn have called

The Mongolian bandits of the Shan Oh. I am lgad, dearest! for I love her. Mountains in Northern China are the But she mustn't know about me yet, terror of the merchants who go through the passes by caravan.

while.—Hush! She is coming—go and Their proficiency as bandits is promoted as one might say, by their re lations with the Chinese soldiers oc She drew back out of the light as casionally sent to harass them, writes

able. You're the new master here swoop down upon the caravan road Where's that girl? Oh, there you are! less than a dozen miles away. This Eliot would like—what would you like is done only when scouts bring word that cargo valuable enough to make it

lady looked at him questioningly; but a return raid by Chinese soldiers can before she could speak they heard the be expected. Occasionally, these are real, "honest to goodness" fights, and "Bless me!" she exclaimed; "who blood may flow on both sides, but the battle usually takes a different form

With-bugles blowing, the soldiers march out to the hills. Through "middlemen" the battle ground has been agreed upon and a "David" is chosen from the soldiers to meet the "Goliath" of the brigands. But David overcoat two sizes too large for him. is particularly careful to leave his her. "Speak to me. It's so difficult to At sight of Eliot he stopped in the gun behind, and to have his "sling" advances to the combat armed with a delightful coincidence! Mr. Graham! bag of silver dollars, then an even How do you do, ma'am? And how do trade ensues—a dollar for a cartridge -and the implements of war change

very spot, on this very night, when I The matter ends there for the briwanted so badly to see you. Why, it grands, but not for the soldiers. Somewill be killing two birds with one body must be killed-their reputation stone! Not, my dear madam," with a demands it. Therefore they pick up a bow to Miss Deborah, "that I should few travelling peasants of no great dream of being so disrespectful as to importance, who will not be missed ing the tremuleus lips and still hold- call you a bird, or to be desirous of among China's teeming millions. throwing stones at you. And the young These unfortunates are accused on lady, too!" he went on, bestowing a giving aid and comforts to the bangrin and a bow on Nora. "Dear dear, dits; there is a 10-minute "trial" and

isfactory! Miss Deborah—thank you, With the bugle blowing as merrily with the huge coat and forced him into to the city bearing the heads to be chair, "I have completed our little placed on exhibition in bamboo cages though I think we could manage with- ate battle with the brigands. He says that through the extreme valor of hi He rose and leant over the table, and soldiers the bandits have been diswagging his head at all three of them, persed and many killed. Their heads even now are on exhibition. But "Miss Deborah, ma'am, you will be many cartridges were expended in

> WAR IS OVER. The war is ove



and I feel that all the world should know it; for profiteers still harshly steal the savings from a poet. How easily the prices rose in times of war and terror. when we were swatting brutal foes, convincing

them of error! As patriots we stood thought prices would be short in hal when we had whipped those critters. The war is over, but the cost of many things is booming, and all our wages we exhaust in ultimate consuming. How easily the prices slid until they reached the ceiling, when Wilhelm waved his iron lid, and all the world was reeling; as easily they should come down, since now the war is ended, and Wilhelm's lost his valued crown, and had his bucksaw mended. I'm taxed too much for this and that, for which and those and t'other, for cat nip and for my sacred cat, and stogies for my brother. The war is over, and from woe to normalcy we're beating, but progress is so beastly to sell things cheap and cheaper, but the prices steeper.

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