

# LADY IRIS'

#### Hero of 'Surata'

CHAPTER XXXII.

And now he had told her that she must not make any inquiries about Isahel Hyde-which proved to her that in some mysterious fashion there was

What could it be? She thought long and anxiously; but she could not come to any satisfactory conclusion. There had been no secrets in the Fayne family-none that a person like old Esther

ordinary sense of the word; but this was something, she felt, that touched the honor of her family. She would not disobey her father; she would she would pay particular attention to me."

and was still greatly agitated.

reproachfully at him. He bent over what it could be.

have done right or wrong. If fris had library was full of shadows; and the known the truth, she would never have earl, as he came forward to meet his sent Captain Osburn away. It may daughter, looked pale and worn with sad face and fair hair-"that is your be that I have done wrong altogether; anxious thought. but it was for her sake, Isabel-believe

He had been unwilling to bring his dull and heavy as my heart is." daughter to Fenton Woods, that lonely | "Why should that be heavy, papa? northern home of his, where the one she asked, and then the earl drew her

taken every precaution to guard his secret; but Heaven had evidently inerposed to bring it to light. The torm had burst when his daughter near Esther Rowson's cottage, she could hear the name of Isabel

He asked himself whether it would not he better to tell her the truth. He knew that when a woman's curiosity was once aroused it was seldom left ungratified. His daughter was the very soul of honor; but who would tell whether a chance word might not be-He began to think that it was Heaven's will that he should tell her. It had ried?" heen the one object of his life to keep this secret; he had sacrificed much she declared. for that object; and, if he told the truth now, all his sacrifices would

Lady Iris was not curious in the to himself that, if it were the will of portrait that hangs in the gallery at Heaven that she should know the Chandes, underneath which is writ-

would disclose it to her himself. CHAPTER XXXIII.

make no inquiries; but, if by any ac- "Iris," said the earl, "I want to cident she should hear the name of speak to you. Come into the library Isabel Hyde or anything of her story, after luncheon and spend an hour with

Ste wondered a little what he in-The earl sat musing in his study tended to say to her and why he lookalone. He had had a terrible shock, ed so perplexed and sad. She sighed deeply, life was growing more com- Our marriage was a mariage de con-"Great Heaven," he cried, "to think plicated for her. There was a time that she should look up laughing into when she believed that she knew every my lace, and ask me who was Isabel thought in her father's mind; now she tell you my story, fix your eyes upon began to doubt whether she really un-Before him on the table he had the derstood him, and to fancy that there por rait of a lady with sweet, sad face was some mystery hidden in his life. and fair hair; the eyes seemed to look But she could form no idea as to

It was a gloomy afternoon; the air "I do not know," he said, "whether I was heavy and the sky overcast. The

"You bring sunshine into every Hyde." room you enter, Iris," he said; "and And then he began to think deeply. this wants brightening. The day is

## "I Was Run Down"

"Body was completely covered with Boils"

know how painful and annoying even one or two can be. But imagine having your whole body almost entirely covered with them! I am a watchmaker by trade, making a specialty of repairing the highest grade movements. This is probably the most trying of any mechanical work, particularly for a nervous individual like me. Working under great strain both day and night for three months, brought mealmost to astate of collapse. I was so irritable and nervous that the dightest thing would 'send me up in the sir,' If I managed to get a few hours of sleep at night I was lucky.

There are many reasons why, Iris out the shief of them all is this. I have tept a secret from you which affects you personally, and, as the years rol on, I begin to doubt whether I have cted wisely in so keeping it. I believe that, had you known what I am goin to tell you, you would not have sen way Allan Oshurn."

"Nothing could have prevented that apa," she said gently. He sat down in the large leather

hair in which every day he read his newspapers, and she drew up a little cotstool and sat at his feet. He seemed to avoid his daughter's face as he

"Every life has its secret, Iris," he egun, "every man his romance. My ecret and romance are one."

She clasped his hands in her own, and, bending over them, kissed them. "I never dreamed that you had a ecret, papa; you were always so cheerful and so practical."

"My dearest Iris, I do not think any nan living has had a sweeter secret have kept it from the whole world for your sake; and I have kept it from you because I knew what a blow its disclosure would be to you. After keeping it all these years, I have come to the conclusion that I ought to tell it to you. I believe that Heaven has so directed your life that the knowledge must come to you: I believe also that if I do not tell it to you now you will find it out for yourself."

She looked up at him with a sudden

"Then I have something to do with it, papa-with old Esther and Isabel

"Heaven help you, my poor child!

Yes, you have something to do with For a moment she wondered why he

should call her "poor."

"I am reluctant to begin my story." he said, "as you see. Iris, has it ever struck you that, with respect to your very indulgent to you, that I have not tray to her all that he had concealed? cared at all about rank or money, only that you should love the man you mar-

"You have been very good to me."

"My conduct requires explanation," he said, sighing deeply-"and I may as well begin my story. Iris, you re-Ho was a religious man; and he said | member the dark beautiful face of the secret that he had kept from her, he ten 'Guinevere, Countess of Cale-

> "Yes, of course. It is that of my own mother, papa," she replied.

"No. Iris: that is what I want to tell you, child. Guinevere, Countess of died before you were born. I married Guincyere Talbot, the heiress of the her, and I do not think she loved me. it. Look at this face, and, while I

She looked up at him with eves full

"The Countess of Caledon not my mother! Who then am I?"

"That is your mother," replied the eari, as he placed in her hands the portrait of the beautiful girl with the mother, my darling—that is Isabel

Tears welled up into the girl's eyes; she kissed the sweet pictured face.

"Oh, papa," she cried reproachfully, "why have you let me love the other one all these years? Why did you not tell me before? Oh, mother whom I did not know! Mother mine!" she murmured; and her tears fell like rain upon the portrait. "I should have loved her all this time if I had known!" she wept. "Papa, I am not fanciful; but it has always seemed to me that I had nothing to do with the dark, beautiful face at Chandos. Those dark eyes never looked at me with a mother's love; there is love for me shining in these. So my mother was Isabel Hyde? Who was she! Oh, papa. be quick and tell me all!"

(To be continued.)

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