LINES ON THE PASSION. BY MARY L. M'EVOY

passion, Lord is but began, nocked Thou'lt be, and scourged and judged, and crucified for sinful man.

Denies Him thrice in Caiphas' house; 'No I know Him not," he said.

To a pillar bound and cruelly whipped his gentle Jesus meekly bore. And His dear head with mocking crow nced by Pilate innocent, nor usurped He proud Herod's throne. Yet Christ must bear that cruel cross, no

Alas! Alas! the deed is done. He writhe in pain in death's embrace, Which rends his sorrowing mother's heart.

His dying eyes rest on her face her, behold thy son," he said. Addressing His disciple John: Mother," as if to say-carwell for her when I am gone.

Oh! Father, forgive the blind of heart Oh! Father take My spirit home; al

And mountains to their centres shook; th sun refused its rays to shed, And billows leapt, and graves were as Jesus drooped His dying Head

Ah, you, ye skeptics, tremble too; poor puny, narrow, shallow man, Throw doubt and darkness from thy heart and follow Christ while yet you can

shield thy soul to screen, Love Mary as thy Mother, too, Imm late Mother ! Angels' Queen ! San Francisco Monitor

## LADY KILDARE

THE RIVAL CLAIMANTS

CHAPTER XVII-[CONTINUES There were a few quaint shops, the doors of which the shopkeepwere lounging. There was a quan-old inn, which displayed the sign. The Connor Arms." There wer two or three small ale shops, where liquors stronger than ale were dispensed to the humbler of the villagers and to the surrounding country people on their visits to the valley, but nov these shops were deserted.

The progress of the Lady Kathlee up the long street was in some sort as ovation, for the news of her coming had been industriously circulated by her steward, and shopkeepers and lagers were on the look-out for the lady of the hall, whose presence a Bally, oppor promised them pecuniary good, and in whose recent marriage they were greatly and curiously

At the end of the village the carriage entered between two great open until they met at dinner.

He was then in fine spirits. He gates into the Connor gro r creded along a superb

As they drew up before the latter, and a Connor of Ballyconnor. He and the Lady Kathleen was assisted and formed some new schemes too,

At their head appeared Delaney, hold almost as much as it disgusted

He was an elderly man, with the port of a royal duke. Many a nobleman of ancient lineage might have envied the humbly born steward his

we have had longing to see your sweet eyes, my lady, and we were afraid you'd forgotten us all up at the grand castle in Antrim! But it's in the old heart the heart the heart the state of the long to my happiness.' the old home the hearts are warmest

The Lady Kathleen returned ar answer that made the old man's hear happy, and then greeted Mrs. Delaney, the housekeeper, and the vari ous family servants, each by name time this ceremony been gone through with, and Bassan

She mounted the broad staircase, followed by her maid loaded with parcels, and came out upon the uppes hall, a wide, well-lighted gallery hung with pictures.

From either side of this hall several doors opened into the best private a private and ments of the mansion.

The Lady Kathleen smiled bitterly. 'And if I had,' she said, you would have made a fine scandal. And Lord Tresham, hearing the story linked to the name of Kathleen Connor, would have turned his back upon me. And Mora would have turned his back upon me. And the said would have turned his back upon me. And Mora would have

fine view of the mountains and the larger share of the village toward the west.

The air of the valley was already chilly, although the month was October, and the room wore its winter dress, the velvet carpet and plust covered chairs being all of the most to each other than we are now. Do not speak to me of love again, if you would not drive me to keep to my of the burning in the grate, giving out a genial heat, and dissipating the covered chairs being all of the most to each other than we are now. Do not speak to me of love again, if you would not drive me to keep to my of the most tude of a well-loved child! O Nora!

A stern smile gathered about the gift's beautiful mouth. A stern look

est linen, trimmed with real lace, and he coverlet was of white satin, and in ers centre was embroidered i hread a glittering star. The room was in fact a sumptuous bridal

and single white easy chair corres-conding in richness with the features we have enumerated, and the only ed being found in the red glow of the itter mockery of all this display.

It seems that I was not explicit

nough in my directions,' she said Delaney has arranged this noom for a happy bride. It is a neart-sick and disappointed woman who has come to occupy it alone. Oh, this is all so hard to bear, when I remember what might have been!
Ah! that 'might have been.'"
She knelt on the hearth rug of

hite and gold, and crossed her arms in a chair, pillowing her head upon

es deepened, and the full reo outh quivered, and after a little the cars came, seeming to well from h

A long time she knelt there but a st remembering that it was necery to 'keep up appearances,' she r dressing-room. Here a change of garments ha

een laid out for her by her maid nd, after a bath in her cozy bathing f in a rich blue silk with a long d ornaments of torquoise, and nt out into her sitting-roam. Here her luncheon was a ad upon a round table before the

n pond, game birds on toast, and few of the finer vegetables, made up a repast that tempted even the Lady Kathleen's capricious appetite Sne sipped her chocolate and at er meal leisurely, feeling a sense of ner journeying and settled down at ast in the home of her ancestors. In the course of the afternoon, not eeming it wise to give herself up to

vain regrets and useless imaginings, she tied on her hat, drew about her ne warm folds of an Indian shawl, gathered up her train, and set out or stroll through the house and rounds, Delancy, the steward, acmpanying her. She did not again see Bassantyne

ready felt himself a land proprietor and a Connor of Ballyconnor. He to the porch by Bassaniyne, the servants flocked out without ceremony that he began to exhibit toward Kathvants flocked out without ceremony that he began to exhibit toward Kath-to welcome home their long absent mistress that he began to exhibit toward Kath-leen a marked courtesy and lover-fike devotion that pleased her house

aristocratic air and the quiet dignity ed apartment, furnished in modern of manner which sprang from an inof manner which sprang from an in-nate nobility which neither rank nor wealth can supply.

After was burning here also, for the old hall was wont to be damp, and fires were usually kindled within The Lady Kathleen's face warmed its walls early in September.

'I am well pleased with my new that a swiden clow at the sight of the second second with my new the sight of the second s

with a sudden glow at the sight of him, and she held out her hand to him in hearty kindness.

'We are glad to see you at home again, Lady Kathleen,' said Delaney.' And we congratulate the new master and hope you will both live at the old hall always! It's sorry times the hisband of the Lady Kathleen conner seems a nassport to their

'And what is that?' asked the Lady Kathleen, indif-erently. That is a revival of your old

affection for me, said Bassantyne.

To be beloved by you, in addition to being master here, would be a joy almost too great to bear. Oa, Katisteen, eannot the past be revived.

An indigment flush rose to the last Kathlern's benefits

and coad, fire burning in the grate, giving out a genial heat, and dissipating the dampness of the stone walls.

'This look like bome,' mused the Lady Kathleen. Everything is as I meet act tayear ago, after my last visit.' I meet to be master of her in truth as in name. I intend to intrench as in name. I intend to intrench myself in the sait of the dad and gone Connots, to handle their revenues as my own, and to become the revenues as my own, and to become in reality lord of the manor. And if Kuhleen stands in my way,' he added no every side.

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dected on every side.

The bed-chamber had been newly burnished. The acrept of white very ever, sprinkled with occasional goldentars. The bedstead, of carved rosewood, richly gilded, was canopied in white satin, which fell to the floor in sumptuous folds. The square uger pillows were inclosed in daurest lines, trimmed with real lace, and

CHAPTER XVIII.

UNDERSTOOD AT LAST.

The days of her imprisonment i the small, dark upper room in the cottage at Clondalkin dragged wearily enough to the poor young Lady Nora. The only light that penetraash of vivid color the room contain d being found in the red glow of the re.

The Lady Kathleen's lip curled in other mockery of all this display.

The lady Kathleen's lip curled in the small opening over the door, and her meagre supplies of the sitter mockery of all this display. same aperture.

An imprisonment more gloomy, more terrible, more barbarous, could not have been devised. The captive had no books, and if she had had books she would not

have had light sufficient to read them. She had no employment for her hands—nothing to occupy her weary-ing thoughts, varied with unrefresh-ing slumbers. Her jailer, Mrs. Fogarty,

her thrice daily, bringing with her a supply of bread and water, which onstituted the girl's prison fare, and t these periods the woman urged he lemands, but she might as well have pleaded to marble. The young Lady Nora heard her with a haughty disiain, but did not even reply to her.

Three or four days thus passed,
At midninght on the fourth day of on the front door of Yew Cottage. Nora, pacing her lonely cell, sleep ss and harassed, heard it.

The knocking was repeated cau-

The night was light enough for her bservations. A man, small of stature with a shrinking, insignificant figure The man was her employer and he Lady Nora's kinsman-Mr. Michael Kildare.

Mrs. Fogarty slammed her window hut, lighted her candle, and hurried edmitted the Dublin lawyer, and se-

she won't give in till she'sdead. The lawyer contracted his brown

The lawyer contracted his brows and formed some new schemes too, and it was in accordance with these harply.

The lawyer contracted his brows harply that he began to exhibit toward Katheleen a marked courtesy and lover-like devotion that pleased her house his bride.

After dinner the ill-assorted and strangely joined couple adjourned to the drawing-room.

This was a long and wide low-ceil-lawyer and fires were usually kindled withing the half till a property and fires were usually kindled withing to the drawing solven.

The was burning here also, for the old hall was wont to be damp, and fires were usually kindled withing the half till I return.

The same and the was burning here also, for the old hall was wont to be damp, and fires were usually kindled withing and fires were usually kindled withing the words from the young girl's lips.

The lawyer contracted his brows hearly with that the path was one weak, delicate in the path was one weak, delicate girl, who trusted you, and who had been intrusted to your care, While my grandfather lived, and father lived, and fat

quietly:

I am awake. Are you coming?'
For answer, the lawyer unlocked the door, s rung it ajar, and went in The Lady Nora was standing in the centre of the bare and miserable cell, and her face was turned toward him
The lawyer studied her countenance to detect in it some signs of

heen come through with, and Bassard type introduced as 'the master,' the Lady Kathleen found herself in the central hall of the mansion.

'The rooms are all ready as I or dered, I suppose, Mrs. Delaney?' she aked.

'Yes my lady,' replied Mrs. Delaney?' she aked.

'Yes my lady,' replied Mrs. Delaney a mild-faced, pleasant-eyed, lady-like old woman, dressed in gray. 'The master's rooms are on the same floor, and opposite yours. Everything is as you ordered.'

'I will go up to my rooms at once!' said her ladyship. 'I will have my lunch served in my own sitting-room. Mr. Bassantyne will probably prefer the dining-room, and he can be served there. And after lunch, Mrs. Delaney I shall be glad to have you come up to see me.'

She mounted the broad stairease, followed by her maid loaded with parcels, and came out upon the upper hall, a wide, well-lighted gallery pear hall, a wide, well-lighted gallery have made a fine scandal. And Lord

'An indignor if lush rose to the lady Kathleen's cheeks.

'We have done with the past—you terror or of submission. In vain. The bright, spirited eyes looked at him in a haughty contempt. The proud, sweet face glowed with the indignation of an upntamed soul. There was no craven submission in the lady that is light, erect figure, no slavish fear in the poise of the haughty head. Suppose I judge you for your foilty and madness, than I judge you bright and sale was a brave soul under that soft and dainty exterior.

My poor child!' sighed the law-your or your crimes. And neaven knows pane, that soft and dainty exterior.

My poor child!' sighed the law-you would contest that soft and dainty exterior.

My poor Nora! It makes my heart bleed to find you here!' And I' had,' she said, you would have made a fine scandal. And Lord

his great self-control.

'What do you mean?' he asked,

hastily.

'I mean, Michael Kildare, that I have learned in this prison cell to think and reason as I have neve thought and reasoned before, and I thought and reasoned before, and I have thought out many things of which you would not dream. From my earliest childhood you were a favorite guest at Kildare Castle. You were my father's lawyer and trusted condential friend. When papa die leaving my property to the care of Sir Russel Ryan, he yet made yon an associate guardian of my property and person. You pretended to love me you nourished schemes against me.'
Michael Kildare's face grew pale and a dangerous glitter appeared

'You talk wildly!' he strange voice.
'I speak the truth, said the young Lady Nora boldly, and with sternly flashing eyes. 'You have had designs againt me all these years,'
The lawyer started and an apprehensive look darkened his visage.
'This appearance of the present Lord of Kildare—the pretended lord—has been looked forward to by

lord-has been looked forward to by you for years l' exclaimed the gi with passionate emphasis. Have I not noticed discrepancies in your statements? And yet I would have Nora's captivity, when the house was been deceived to the end, but for the wrapped in darkness and silence, a conversation which I accidentally overheard in your library. I should have gone on, receiving your caresses and kindly words as coming from a less and harassed, heard it.

Mrs. Fogarty, sleeping lightly in her upper chamber, also heard it, and arted upright in her bed.

The knocking was repeated caupected until suspicion has grown into stuve belief?

'Yes; tell me!' said the lawye vatching her with his glittering eyes Listen, then, said the young Lady Nora, reading in his guilty face the confirmation of all her worst sus-picions. Listen to what I know In the first place, Michael Kildare, your love for me has been all pretence

'By heaven, no, Nora!' The young girl paid no heed to the 'In the second place, she said,

dare's whole life, from the hour in which you first knew of his existence. In his infancy you planned to make him some day earl of Kildare. This Lady Nora come to her senses 'Sorry a bit,' replied Mrs. Fogarty,' It's a big job I've undertaken your honor. I have shut her up continual and fed her on crusts and cold water, but it's the pride of Lucifer she has. away every obstacle between Red-mond Kildare and the prize you meant to win, but you waited, with

ed the stairs with the tread of a cat.

Arrived at Nora's door he knocked lightly.

'Are you awake, Nora?' he asked, bending his ear to the key-hole.

The steady footfalls within the cell ceased to sound on the still air and the young girl, halting, answered quietly:

I am awake. Are now Michael Kildare, I know, from that conversation I overheard, that this young man Redmond has no right to the place he has stolen. It is still mine in the sight of God. It must be mine again in the sight of man.'

'You know on what terms it must be again yours, Nora.' said the lawyer shivering.

shivering.
'I will never lend my aid to strengthen that usurper's claims!' cried the young girl. 'Did I not love another, I could not marry this man!'

Even the Lady Nora recoiled a step, with a sensution of terror. He looked to her, with all his softness and shoothness thrown aside, like the incarnation of evil like the embodiment of some deadly and awful

whisper.
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it,' asserted the Lady Nora, with un
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Mrs. Fogarty withdrew the key from her pocket and gave it into the lawyer's hands. She then sat down upon the hall chair, while Michael Kildare took up the light and ascended the stairs with the tread of a cat.

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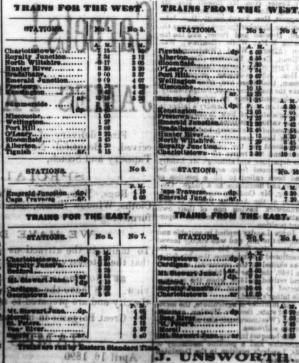
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