"Carrie, I have done wrong, I admit it. I have committed a grievous sin against you, if you will, in keeping this—this episode of my past life hidden from you, but, ask yourself, is there not some excuse?"

"Yes," she says, still with the same unnatural calmness—"yes, you knew that if you had told me what I have learned for myself to-night that I should have refused to be your wife! But," with a wan smile, "would it not have been better in the end, more mereiful to me than to have let me go on loving you in ignorance that you had no heart left to give me, until I chanced—chanced—to discover the fact my, self? Ah! it was cruel—it was cruel; and her lips quiver as one tear, one only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I tould have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I could have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I could have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I could have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I could have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I could have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I could have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I could have borne it then. But now—only, rolls down her pale cheek. "I don't understand," she says, faintly, gazing up at his blazing eyes and knitted brows.

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ve you as surely—"
"As her highness Zenobia knows that
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you love her!" she breaks in, and the re-tort crushes him.
"Can you deny it?" she goes on. "Not

"Carrie," he murmurs hoarsely, bend-ing over her, "it is a hideous mistake

He stops short, struck by the remem-brance that it is the very phrase he had spoken to Zenobia, and Carrie remembers

it, too.
"Yes," she says, shrinking from him.
"it was a hideous mistake! Thank Heaven, it is not too late to repair it. If
—if—you had married me and I had found out what I have discovered tonight, it would have been too late! But now—why, see how easy it is; I, Carrie Harrington, have but to step back into my old place, to resume my insignificance, and you can return with a feeling of devout thankfulness to your old love!" She stifles a sob, and looks up at nim with a bitter smile. "Yes, so easy that in a short time you, and she, will have forgotten that the mistake happened, and most certainly will have ceased to remember that such a person as I ever existed!" night, it would have been too late! But as I ever existed

Do you wish to drive me mad?" he

my neart and soul, while you—but I will not reproach you! Let us—let us word.

with a wan smile—" 'part friends;' is not that the right phrase? Let me, when I look back to this time, the bitterest in all my lifs, remember that we said no hard words, Cecil, you and I, who have spoken such tender ones," with a quiver of the lips and a glance that nearly drives him mad. "Let us have at least that consolation. Good-bye!" and she holds out her hand.

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sert when you promised to be my wife?"
"I don't understand," she says, faintly, gazing up at his blazing eyes and knitted brows.

He smiles a mad, desperate smile.
"You forget," he says, "that you had a lover and a devoted one;" he pauses to take breath; "perhaps during these past weeks you have been weighing us in the balance, and have found that after all Willie Fairfold is more to be desired than Cecil Neville.'

It is a mad retort, wrung from him in a mood that is madness itself. She looks at him stupidly for a moment, then her face flushes, to grow deadly white again.

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His sanity returns in an instant under that mute reproach.

"Carrie, forgive me!" he cries. "I am a fool to doubt you—I was mad to say such a thing! Forgive me!"
And he bends over her.

With a gesture full of wounded love and pride she puts up her hand, then says; "but—but there must be no more said between us. Good-bye, Lord Cecil —good-bye, forever!"
In a frenzy of despair he falls on his knee beside her, and tries to detain her. She rises, drawing her arm away from him; and as she does so the tall and graceful figure of Zenobia enters.

Stopping short, she looks at them with a smile that barely hides the jeal-lous rage in her eyes, then murmurs:

"Ah, so sorry! I have interrupted a love scene, a la troubadour."

Lord Cecil springs to his feet, and looks from one woman to the other with a dazed, bewildered expression; but Carrie turns her eyes with a calm, sorrowful gaze upon the half-mocking face of her rival, and then, with an inclination of the head, glides slowly past her into the ball-room.

CHAPTER XXIV.

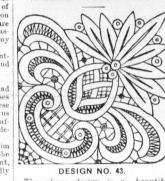
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STEAMSHIPS

have half an hour. I insist! I will do
the packing, and arrange everything."
To her surprise Carrie obeys, and
creeps on to the bed. To Philippa's
greater astonishment and relief, she sees
the miserable girl fall fast asleep. Menal anguish induces physical exhaustion,
thank Heaven! or how could we poor
mortals bear the suffering the gods metout to us in this strange world?
If does not take long to pack; Philippa surveys the locked boxes ruefully,
and then summons the maid, gives her
the letter, and begs her to order a carriage to take them to the station, murmuring some indistinct explanation; but
the servants at the Castle are too well
trained to express surprise or ask questions; and the maid goes about her errand as calmly as if Philippa had asked
her for a bedroom candle.
Philippa waits until the last moment,
then goes to the sleeping girl.
"Carrie, dear!"
"I will never dance again!" murhurs
Carrie, starting up. "Good-bye, Lord
Cecil, good-bye! Philippa, what is it?
Ah!"
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