

herself, wearing her coronet and robe.

litter, which was fitted with seats, Alan was transferred, for whom it was designed, placed in that vacant by which, either by accident or was no more seen that day. up the mountain side to the the great fall, and watched a thunder down, though the then they could not reach, wandered off into the huge at clothed the slopes of the there halted and ate. Then, a tank, they returned to the the town beneath them. They, notwithstanding his weak- anxiety, it was a heavy Asika was passive, some being on her, and scarcely him at all except to call her to a tree, a flower, or a pros- scenery. Here on the moun- too, the air was sweet, and at-well, he who had been so bath was occupied for an hour, a gloomy home of bloodshed nation, and saw God's sky

ney was the first of many. the litters were waiting, visited some new place, al- to the town itself they never moreover, if they passed outlying villages, although forced to wear his mask. abitants had been warned to themselves, so that they saw no crops were left untended, cattle and sheep lowed hun- their kraals. On certain days request, they were taken to where the gold was found, avel bed of an almost dry at during the rain was a tor-

ended from the litter and with of the Asika and Jeeki, dug a his gravel, not without re- in they found several nug- two, too, where they went af- was a huge quartz reef de- water, which evidently had ked in past ages, and was ch that in it they saw plenty gold. Looking at it, Alan be- him of his City days and of reds of thousands of pounds th which this unique propos- have been floated. After- were carried to the places gems were found, stuck the clay, like plums in a pud- hough none ever sought them all these things interested not at all.

as the good of gold, she ask- except to make things of, or stones except to play with; s the good of anything except s and power and wisdom that open the secret doors of e, of things seen and things and love that brings the lover forgetfulness of self and takes a awful loneliness of the soul, r a little while?

ing to drift into discussion atter of love, Alan asked the to define "her soul," whence and whether she believed it to

al is "I, Vernoon," she answer- already very, very old. Thus alied amongst this people for s of years."

is that, he asked, "seeing that die?"

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