

The Cruise of the "Kingfisher."

CHAPTER XII. CHAPTER XIII.

Ralph, still unconsciously holding ed a hero in the girl's sight. How could be seem otherwise?

handkerchief, and smiled up at her.

"I'm not hurt-at least, I don't

her beautiful eyes filled with tears of

said, trying to suppress her agitation. "Oh, what am I to say to you? You have certainly saved my life, and at might have been crushed under his hoofs, or under the wheel, or dragged

terrible picture, and forced a wouldwere playing the leading part in a appropriate attitude. He would have taken off his hat, but that was in the Ralph sat in a glow of conscious heroad at some distance.

"Don't mention it." he said, fatupen? Did something frighten it?" "I scarcely know," she said, con-

fusedly. "I was going into Market claimed: "Ratton! Why! What Ratton, shopping, and on the top of has happened, Molly?"

panting, accompanied by a couple of Hatherley, hoarsely.

what Mr. Bryan must think of me." Mary's colour had risen at the mention of Edward Bryan's name; but she looked at Ralph sympatheti-

"And yet you had nerve enough to

you," he said, apologetically, and ily: Mary laughed almost impatiently.

in the saving me from a terrible Ralph got up beside her, the horse

"Shall I drive?" he asked, devoutly noping that she would refuse his of-

"Oh. no. thank you." she said. "He

again," he said, impressively, "You what we-vour father-would suffer

"I don't suppose I shall drive him which the rotten and broken rail again," she said; "though I am not in

"No, I know you are not," he said sending an admiring glance at her. "I am not frightened, excepting on "I don't think you know what fear your account, Lord Ratton," she means. I saw your face as you came along, and it was quite calm andand fearless. Most women would

have been half dead with terror."

Mary laughed and shook her head But it was what father would call 'a near thing.'" she added, gravely: "and but for you-" She stopped, but the berak in the sentence was eloquent enough. Lady Mary was not one to gush, but her heart was popular melodrama, and uncon- full of gratitude to this young man something approaching distrust; and

ously, as if she had thanked him for they got up to the lodge gate of the opening a gate. "How did it hap- Manor, Lord Hatherley came through. Oh, Molly, Molly, what a debt I owe agonies of baulked love. "Hallo, Molly! back already?" then he noticed Ralph's condition, and ex-

the hill a little basket I take with me "It's all right, father!" she hastendropped out of the cart. The groom ed to assure him. "That is, thanks to got down to pick it up, and just at Lord Ratton. Now, don't be frightenthat moment the horse started. I ed or upset, dear," for his face had think something must have stung it. paled, and he looked from one to the It is a new horse-I have only driven other anxiously. "The fact is, Timoit two or three times-but it has al- thy bolted-on the top of the hill, you ways been quite quiet; and I am used | know; poor fellow, it wasn't his fault to horses; I have ridden and driven I'm sure; and we were on the tear for the bottom-"

At this moment the groom came up "The gravel pit!" murmured Lord



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she said, soothingly, but a little tremfore her-"and just by the rails Lord Ratton, who happened to be standing there, sprang forward in the pluckiest, noblest way, and stopped us. If

at him with inexpressible gratitude.

"God bless you. Ratton! You saved my girl from certain death! I know that spot. God bless you! Come in. turned quietly and most steadily back fellow, you may be seriously hurt. Dragged! Did you say he was dragged some distance, Molly? Good

Lady Mary fancies I was dragged farther than I really was; but I'm not in hurt, all those hours ago, and I didn't a condition to come into the house. I'll get down here and run across the

iously. "Why, of course, dear! I have never left the cart for a moment. Yes, drive Lord Ratton home."

from the cart. Hatherley caught him by the hand and looked at him earn- said his father; but Edward looked

Ratton," he said, "that you come up and dine with us to-night; then I must go and see how she is-learn shall know that you are unhurt. We the whole truth."

sciously drew himself up into the whom hitherto she had regarded with sight before getting up beside Mary. heavy and was coming down the hill.

"Yes, father, a debt we can never pay," she said in a low voice, and very gravely; for something-was it his cap. a premonition of the consequences of that morning's business?-filled her with vague forebodings.

"He is a true Ratton," said Hatherley. "With all their faults, they have never shown the white feather. Molly, own that you have—well, been rather prejudiced against, rather un- loving her." just to, him. You were wrong, Molly you see; wrong!"

She looked down, a troubled expression in her eyes»

"I was wrong, dear," she said al most in a whisper. "No man could have acted more nobly, more unselfishly. I can never be too gratefulcan never forget it."

"And I-well"-he drew a long breath and put his arm round her-"I owe him a debt I can never pay: my child's life!" The tears were in his eyes and his voice broke as he looked away. "Think, Molly, how it would have been with me if-if-you dered. "May God bless and keep

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES GAM-

in the stable-vard and in the servants' hall; told it with the appropriate emphasis, and yet with a certain

the bottom of that danged gravel pit, Barrett, James, Battery Road

nands carried the story into Market Bearns, Thomas, Newtown Road the town just as the Ratton Gazette Benson, Miss V. came out with a sensational report, headed: "Heroic rescue of a lady by the Earl of Ratton!"

excitement, and bubbling over with you are still alarmed it should be on admiration. Lord Ratton had already his account for he was dragged some made himself popular by his condes Lord Hatherley laid a trembling to the property; but this exploit tickhand on Ralph's arm and looked up led the public palate and gave them an excuse for enthusiasm. As the He was unable to utter a word for a Gazette gushed, "they were proud of

at the Court until the next morning,

tumbled off his horse a few minutes Dalton, late s.s. Glencoe before, and was so upset by the accident that he walked off in a huff! It Downton, Edward, Water St.

said, huskily. "She may have been

Of course, both his father and mother knew how it was with him, and loved Lady Mary and was too poor to English, Miss I., care Mr. Condon, ie bitterness of Sir Gilbert's cup.

"Won't after breakfast do, Edward?" his mother pleaded, timidly "Dear Mary is sure to be all right, or we should have heard of it. The ac- Frye, Thomas, Gower Street But Ralph refused to separate them count says that she was not in the Fitzpatrick, Capt. Daniel at such a moment, and jumped down least injured-not even frightened."

"Finish your breakfast, my boy," from one to the other with a rather

"I couldn't," he said, simply.

Ralph accepted and went away hall. At times she was almost-only with a quick step, and Lord Hather- almost-induced to rebel against the ley stood and watched him out of Providence that had decreed that her dearly loved son, the boy of her heart, "What a noble fellow!" he said in should fall in love where love seemed a low voice. "I can see the whole hopeless. He had only returned yesthing now. It was the pluckiest thing terday, after four years of absence, imaginable: this beast is big and and it was as if he had come back to suffer that worst of sufferings, the

"Is it any use, dear?" she murmur anxiety as she watched him hunt for

He bent and kissed her, and patted her hand soothingly, as a strong man

"I don't know, mother. Who can tell? But if it were of no use, I couldn't help it. I've got to go on

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