

# The Web:

# TRUE LOVE'S PASSION.

CHAPTER II. In an English Palace.

THE Earl of Arrowdale was beau

noor. He had been known for years as exquisitely dressed, upright as a dart, the modern Chesterfield, and society with every white hair in place, withwas proud of him, as an instance of out a crease in his shirt front or what noble rank and high breeding scarcely a wrinkle on his face, and He was tall and thin, with a face in with the smile which, if he had labeled then he turned to his companion. which every feature was as clearly his smiles, would probably have been

and keenly cut as if it had been done numbered, "No. 2, Smile for the reby a Grecian sculptor, and on which ception of one's guests." a beard or mustache had never been | Santleigh Court was as old and as a shock?—but believe me, I am quite and watched it as it passed.

grew softer and his smille sweeter

Once, when a young man, a woman

in the presence of others, they ha

were moved to admiration when he

caught the hand that and struck him

and raising it to his lips, murmured

with a smile: "Rather a blow from

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Thoroughly.

At this period his hair was nearly as its owner. Originally the residence do not expect grapes from thistles. I now for Lady Norah." white, but otherwise the face was al- of a Norman baron-of course an Ar. am also resolved that as Lady Norah most without a wrinkle, and the fig- rowdale-it had been transformed by is here under my roof, my acknowure was so well preserved that it was successive owners into one of the ledged daughter, I will not permit my at once the admiration and astonish- most magnificent of English palace self to be-it is an ugly word, but I ment of all who were privileged to mansions.

In speech, Howard, Lord Arrowdale times; his voice soft, and yet distinct. manners—but the pen falters in its mere idea caused him to shudder, and he said, slowly. endeavors to convey an idea of Lord ston, who had empolyed him in foreign service, had been heard to declare that the park gates."

Indian, and his manners move a Tar ease, so far as breadth goes-with the No one had ever seen him in that slow and stately grace peculiar to had been angry at some periods of his ed, and in subdued tones, said: polished existence—his voice usually

"Mr. Petherick has arrived, my

"In the library, my lord."

"Thank you, my lord; yes, it has een hot. I have returned, my lord,

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a' or without?" he asked, blandly.

The lawyer coughed again-

As Mr. Petherick did not know, he well to expect him to exclaim: "My

ame in the family before. Norah.

you than a kiss from another;" and in neir admiration the onlookers probably forgot that he had wronged the woan, or as probably considered that his exquisite manners had more than

As a young man, the noble earl had been wild and reckless, with a society polished wildness: but of late years he nad subsided into the middle-aged, tut ever youthful man of retired hab-

And he was still the model to which parents pointed when they wished to mpress upon their sons a type of vhat a man should be who was ma

all him the Superfine Earl; but if he

On the evening of the day after that n which Mr. Petherick had paid his visit to Cliff Cottage, Norton, the earl

He had asked the guests before he had received the letter from Catherine Hayes, and, notwithstanding it was the day upon which he was to receive the daughter he had not yet seen, he and not postponed his little party.

"Never put off a dinner, however unimportant, unless there be a death in the family or smallpox in the house," was one of his maxims.

And exactly at a quarter to eight

unimpeachable in the way of ancestry prepared. I am not exacting, and I

It would have been a show place like Chatsworth or Eaton Hall, if the opened his mouth as if he were about noble earl could have brought him- to make some eager response, but he self to endure the thought of the pre- thought better of it. the guide books always put to their "Thank you very much. I trust not. descriptions of the place a footnote: But, as I said, I am prepared for the

The earl made his way down the dear Petherick, I am detaining you, have driven a coach and four with let."

His lordship inclined his hear slightly-his courtesy extended to the "Thank you. In the library?"

The earl turned aside and entered the oak-paneled library, and held out for dinner. We do not dine until a The heat has subsided a little, has it not? I fear you must have suffered auch inconvenience from it."

Mr. Petherick coughed.

ied me."

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t him, and even to go so far as to Yes, it is not unmusical. I am infin itely obliged to you for all the trouwas aware of these—and it was very ble you have taken, Petherick, and ttle he was not aware of-Lord Ar- believe me, I quite realize how ex-

> "Not at all, my lord," said Mr. Petherick. "I may say that it has afforded me much pleasure. Lady Norah-The earl glanced at his watch. "Pardon me," he said, interrupting

him: "Would you kindly ring the Mr. Petherick did so, and a footman

ntered. "My compliments to Lady Norah, and I shall be gratified if she will dine with me at a quarter past eight." Mr. Petherick grew red.

"Eh-ahem-I beg a thousand par--that is-I think you said, my lord, dressed his other guests. that you had a dinner party?" The earl smiled sweetly.

please," he said to the footman, who

"Thank you for your consideration, Petherick," he said, blandly. "I see can find no other-ashamed of her!"

sence of plebeian tourists in the lofty "I hope you will have no cause to corridors and stately hall; but the be ashamed of Lady Norah, my lord,"

"Strangers are not permitted to pass worst. A girl brought up as she has been-" He stopped, "But, my and will cause you to hurry your toi

> Mr. Petherick bowed and left the oom without another word, but when and suffered himself to mutter his favorite ejaculation, "Bless my soul!"

The earl went into the drawing oom, a magnificent salon, richly decorated with gold upon ivory white by Inigo Jones, and stood in a grace ful attitude awaiting his guests.

If he felt any curiosity respecting this daughter upon whom his eves were to rest for the first time, certainly no trace of it was to be seen in his ace as he took up an orchid from a

Presently some of the guests ar The footman announced Lord Fern dale, whose estate joined Santleigh, a





old and genial man with a loud voice. which made Lord Arrowdale's sound the sweeter and softer by contrast; Mr. Parfleet, a neighboring squire; and the rector. Lord Arrowdale always attended church every Sunday morning, subscribed to all the local charities, and, as he would have put

He shook hands with them, murmured a few graceful words of welcome, then glanced at his watch. "We are waiting for two others." he

said, softly; "I expect Guildford Ber-"Ah, well, he is always punctual," aid the rector, with the chuckle

which accompanied nearly every renounced the gentleman alluded to. He was a tall, thin young man,

with a sallow face, and hair and eyes of a darkness seldom found in an Englishman. They were fine eyes. seemed to light up his face and render the room and from face to face before he uttered a word. Then he came forward and greeted the earl, and his voice was almost as soft and sweetly pitched as his host's.

The earl's glance rested upon the dark face and carefully attired figure with a momentary approval, and there was a touch of cordiality and familiardons, my lord, but-I-I-am afraid ity in his voice as he spoke to him Lady Norah will be tired, and scarcely which had been absent when he ad-

"Ah, Guildford. We were lauding your punctuality. The air is some-"Take my message to Lady Norah. what cooler this evening, I trust?"

"Yes." said Guildford Berton. "But with the clean-cut lips just curved instantly and noiselessly disappeared; I walked slowly. I hope I have not kept you waiting."

> There was a foreign accent in his speech, and he seemed to utter every you desire to spare me a-shall I say word carefully, as if he weighed it

> > "No," said the earl, "we are waiting

Lord Ferndale, who was standing near, regarding the young man with a not altogether approving countenance, turned to the earl with surprise.

sex startled him. The rector and Mr. Parfleet stopped suddenly in the middle of their gossip, and also turned toward the earl.

He stood bland and smiling, looking hole, the other hanging gracefully at his side, and only the black eyes of to detect something malicious and self-torturing beneath the smile and

"I beg your pardon," he said, "I ought to have said 'my daughter, Lady Norah."

Lord Ferndale started, and the rector and Mr. Parfleet exchanged glauces. They remembered the earl's marriage, and the quickly following separation, but they had known nothing of the daughter.

The earl seemed, in a courteous fashion, to enjoy their surprise.

"You are astonished, Guildford?" were entirely free from any more ried. Our good friends could have told you the story"-he waved his hand slightly toward the three other silent men. "Not at all a new or think it was the wisest thing they could do. You agree with me, rec

The rector bowed and colored, and the earl, after delicately wiping his serves, "Go, feed the cat," he says to ips with his exquisitely fine handkerchief, went on in the same bland,

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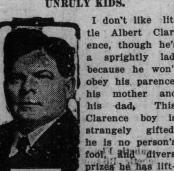
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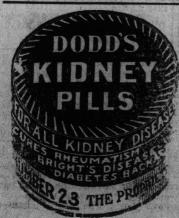
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