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### The Shadow of the Future.

CHAPTER XXII. THE FRIENDS SHE LEFT BEHIND HER.

"My dear fellow." he said, in tones of vexation, "I'm afraid I have bad news for you there, Miss Alwyn has left St. Clair's these three months."

"Left! just when I wanted to tellwhen I wanted her to say Now, by he had come. Only that! all that's unlucky, how I wish I had slow. But I can follow her wherever she is, for of course you know, sir?"

"Ne more than you do." Then, careful to avoid watching the it, can you?" signs of extreme disappointment on his hearer's face, the rector, as far as away. he fait at liberty, told of Sydney's

calculated on." "But one that must be got over," said the other, resolutely. "Can you to see her?" tell me, sir, where the Alwyns came from to St. Clair's? I might get their

present whereabouts so," "I have not the slightest idea, I she is." never heard their former home

named." "Nor anything of their former life? Mr. Alwyn's profession or so forth?"

Then he asked:

Miss Sydney away?" thing deligate and painful. As she you, Miss Dacie?" could not disclose it, I have no right By good fortune in came the doctor Whatever did it mean? Had he,

"But I must find her somehow." broke in Mr. Dick, abruptly, "If you with their caller. can't set me on my way, sir, I suppose no one at St. Clair's can!"

heard of her since we last met."

"Mightn't I go to-night?"

country. Wait till the morning." So till the morning Mr. Dravton was House at nine o'clock next doy.

garden, her conscience a little lighter coming so early. for the thought of three receipted bills in her desk. She heard a step, looked long with us in the morning, unless," up, saw who came, and had no time to said poor Mrs. Dacie, half-humbled flee into the house, and hide a prepos- half-proud at the admission-"unless terous attack of shyness and her we mean to go without our dinner, much-faded cotton gown before he was Don't frown at me, doctor, dear! Mr

her teens she got her hand out of its all-work." huge leather glove and offered a disjointed greeting, enraged at her own domestic revelations, for hereat, with awkwardness, though, as a matter of an apology, he said he must be starting fact, with the sunshine on her yellow- on his round; it was not a long one, brown hair and a rising color in her but it took him a good while to walk; cheeks, she looked younger than she and he explained elaborately to the had done for many a day, and, spite of visitor, who volunteered to go with the washedout print, a gentlewoman him and lend him an arm, how Punch

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and then, having picked up her rake and hoe, shook hands again, remark-

so he took time by the forelock to-day. "W-my father will be very pleased way with another blush. "He was never keep the creature in health." wondering last week if we should ever

see you again." "See me! Why, of course you would. I wanted very much indeed to get here. For. Miss Dacie. I am so hoping you can tell me something of your friend at the Dale-of Miss Al-

wyn especially." The bright color left Mary's cheeks with a chill rush. To hear of Sydney

"I can tell no more than that she is some earlier! Once mere I've been too gene," she said, thankful that on such theme she might be pardoned sad-

"And you can't help grieving over

"Indeed, no!" turning her head

"And I'm sorry too. On your acgood-bye to him, and the subsequent count"—he was staring determinedly able steed was discovered crunching vacating of the Dale, finishing with: at her, but Mary kept her face invis-"So I fear, Drayton, here is a block ible-"and hers too, and my own, i'd in the good-luck which you had not have given a good deal to have found her here. Can't you possibly do its all a good turn by putting me on the track

> "If I could I would, Mr. Drayton' (it cost something, that assertion)-"but I have no knowledge of where

"Nor her mother?" "Mrs. Alwyn was at Zurich a month

"Nothing whatever, It has struck about road if I have to trace her from the poer shild's emetion, it was some- good wishes to speed me to her, won't yours,

and Mrs. Dacie just then. With a you haven't said in so many words murmur of affirmation Mary escaped why you want to see her, but, my dear to the other end of the tidy, shabby room, and busied herself with mending, vate engagement? Why, what for? while the father and mother chatted

ose no one at St. Clair's can!"

say about the Alwyns, and Mrs. Dacie
it; then, in a rage of her weakness,
reiterated her belief that it was an afnearly burned it. Relented, hid it in fair of the affections which drove Syd- an innermost drawer, took it out and "Ah, I could ask her, couldn't I?" ney away—"affection on one side, Mr. looked at it at night; and continually, said Mr. Drayton, with great alacrity. Drayton, not hers! I'm confident our with some reason maybe, called herdear Sydney would choose differently. self for her pains the veery biggest "At a quarter to ten! Nay, that's I'm not a conjurer, but I fancy. I know past canonical calling hours in the where! Though, perhaps, that's hardfair, is it?" .

But the gentleman was deaf to these fain to curb his impatience, rewarding last words and their innuendo. Mary resolution by starting for the Gate had just slipped quietly out of the room, and he expressed a hope that he Mary was working diligently in the had not interrupted Miss Dacie by

"Oh, no! my daughter is not often Drayton knows quite well we are not In trepidation worthy of a least in rich, and that Mary is a daughter of

Possibly the doctor dreaded being defunct they had made up their Perhaps this struck Mr. Drayton, minds, for various reasons, not to refor he shook hands with her warmly, place him at present. Between

truth pretty plainly, and had his deduction confirmed when, the threemile trudge over, they again neared

For Mary hastened to meet them claiming, "Oh, papa! have you seen then he is gone on to Dr. McAndrew! You were wanted to attend the house seeper. If only you had had poor Punch, now, you would have been back in time. Isn't it unlucky?"

"As usual!" said the poor old supplanted medicus, rather bitterly; and Mr. Drayton left them, to mature ine design just planted in his brain. He took another walk by himself that afternoon, and admitted its aim

"Your parish spreads so far, sir, you ough to have a good cob for the outlying parts. I looked out such an animal as would suit you to-day at the farm up the road, where you like the peo ing that he would have come on the

that evening to the rector.

"Hammerton's? Ay, they are good night before, but had arrived too late, folks, and have excellent cattle. But, friend Richard, such's luxury means money: and I've not enough to spar to see you," said Mary, leading the for that. Besides, my exercise would

"Just so, sir. But there's Dr. Dacie killing himself, and losing his patients for want of a quadruped. Couldn't you and he keep a cob between you I'll leave you to settle terms (without mentioning me, though, please), but the fact is, I've bought that brown mag of Hammerton's, and I want to get it into Dacie's stable somehow. I know Miss Alwen would have managed it You won't refuse the offer in he stead, will you, sir?"

So the upshot of that device was that a few hours after Mr. Drayton left 3t. Clair's next day ("I'd much rather have stayed longer," he assured Mary; "but I really do so want to find Miss Alwyn. I hope I shall return, with her leave, and tell you what she and I had to talk about, before long))' a service eats in Punch's manger, and for the present Mr. Vaughan had to carry off "Bill was a character," we said. his share of the guilty secret as best he could, determining to make a clean breast of the conspiracy the very next time Mr. Drayton came down.

But, though they all seemed vaguely to expect to see him soon, the year wore out without his reappearing. A note reached the Gate House early in October, saying:

"Dear Miss Dacie .- Shortly after leaving St. Clair's I met the Major Villiers whom I had once seen there. He had a quaint and curious style By his assistance I was put in the way there. But one or the other I must see. of obtaining information which I hint-Propriety says Mrs. Alwyn. Preference ed at to you. Unfortunately, I have Mr. Drayton crumpled up his brows, says Miss. The lady mother and I not had the pleasure of seeing Miss That he could find God everywhere. and for a minute thought intently, seemed mutually repellent; while Miss Alwyn at present. I thought you might Sydney"—Mary swallowed a great be expecting to hear this, which is all He never rose to wealth or fame, "And you've no clew to what took heart-burning during that pause—
liss Sydney away?"

I feel myself as yet free to comHe brought a touch of gentle grace "she would answer the question I have municate. Kindly accept my best re- To this poor weather-beaten place. "Not the least, I only surpise, from put in a moment. You'll give me your gards, and believe me, very faithfully A character! That's what we said,

"RICHARD DRAYTON." through her former guardian offered himself to Sydney and been rejected? Impossible! Was there to be a pri And yet what else could the semi-confidence betoken? Mary read her note Of course they had presently their fifty times, surreptitiously cried over goose, or any other emblem of absurdity, that ever stepped!

#### CHAPTER XXIII. BOCKS AHEAD!

That September evening when Sydney went back from Stillcote Upton to Capel Moor, so grateful had she felt at the manifest desire for her return that she would willingly have taken double duties on herself for Jean Hurst or for her brother. But in one drection this impulse not only met no response, but was steadily repelled. A curious change came over Mr. Hurst's bearing toward her. He had been always grave, reserved, save when he warmed up to some subject under study, or on those notable occasions when he talked with Sydney on their early morning and meward walks together. Still, there had been a brightening in all his aspects as the hours he evidently enjoyed came round, and Sydney's apt questioning and pertinent calls upon the wealth his splendid memory held roused him unfailingly to cheerful activity, if not positively active cheer-

Now this was altered. As unob trusively but completely as when beween eve and dawn myriads of silent snowflakes spread a white shroud over the living earth, so some spell was ast over these signs of reawakening not a shade of his usual attenion or thanks did Mr. Hurst remit. A chair would be always placed for his fur with applied kid motifs. light between fire and window, though he, no longer seated near, would lis-ten, shoulder up against the bookese, as far off as the room per Punctilious he grow that Miss Grey hould not read on into the hour al otted to her mid-day walk. (To be quntinued)

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he man from Oakleigh Place? No? Ah, Young Mrs. Beecroft Had Miserable Time Until She Took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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And liked to smile;

### Fashions and Fads. The extensive use of panels con-

The trimmed armhole is a new fea

Fringe of animal tails is used on the fur wraps. Thick wool yarn is used to embroidr chiffons.

The flat panel back extends from

shoulder to hem. Chenille embroideries coats and dresses The irregularity of the

continues in vogue. Street dresses and long flowing slaeves. Black hats have elaborate decorations of iet beads.

Skirts feature pointed effects anels and hem lines. White evening wraps are lined with rivid colored silks.

Buttons are firmly intrenched in the world of trimmings. Green, yellow, fuchsia and white are favored for evening. The long unbelted suit coat is

y one of the favored styles. Beads, fringe and fur trimming are em on the new suits. Braid takes the place of embroid ery on many autumn frocks.

ed materials for evening. Some of the separate coats are bloused and have loose panels. Black and white costumes continu in the height of fashion.

Black lace continues to make many charming evening gowns. Embroideries of flat spangles and ubular crystal beads are used. Black broadcloth is extremely smar for fall and winter wear. Red Crystal beads are effectively us

ed in embroidery on black lace. Tortoise shell and golden ostric ombine to make a gorgeous fan. A dinner gown of waxed net ha ee-length flounces of black lace. A novelty vest is of silk-embo

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### Toy Pistol Frightens Gunman.

Mrs. Mollie Golden, whose toy pisto frightened from her home in New York man who had threatened her with a revolver and afterwards shot her husband. Samuel, in the arm, says that when she appeared on the scene with her "weapon" and ordered the man to drop his revolver she did not count os her own courage, but his lack of it. "I knew." she said, "that any man coward enough to take advantage of unarmed people wouldn't have any if he felt himself matched. So when I pointed the toy pistol at him and ordered him to drop his gun he turned and ran like a deer."

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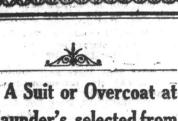
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