

The Ward of the against the world." Earl of Vering.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

The House Party. "Nothing, Charlie, nothing. I may Go on! Why should you hesitate? Come, let me meet vou halfway! Suppose I know your little secret!"

"Kyra has told you," he said, with

mingled wonder and relief.

that name—not just yet.

likely meet you."

forgotten his engagement, and invit-

fishing rods, and give me leave to try

be alone and won't spare you that."

added, as Percy stopped short, and confronted him sternly and wonder-

"She_who?" he demanded.

in's feelings: he had nothing but love

sumptuous. I did not know I was Gringe told me that I should doing wrong. I thought of Miss De-

Perc ystarted.

"Lilian!" he said, and he passed his hand across his troubled forehead.

"You are a shrewd observer, Charlie," he said. "And you think that the rupt a close, that night long ago, might be re-opened-ah! But we were speaking of yourself. That interests me most, your secret," and he went on, with a forced composure. "Why did you keep it from me?"

"She is so young-a schoolgirl," said Charlie, hanging his head. "We are both young-and I'm a nobody,

Charlie."

"And then she wished it to be kept back, and some on wheels, came up quisitely arranged gardens. secret." said Charlie.

"Yes; I think I may say that Throw Away Your "How good you are, Perce!" ex-Eye-Glasses!

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"There's nothing to forgive, dear boy," said Percy, with a smile that

"No," said Charlie, "nothing except that we will both be guided by you in everything. I may tell Kyra I have

looking out for you anxiously. Lady Devigne, will you follow Mrs. Parker,

vasion of bachelor kingdom.

Lilian Devigne paused a moment with Kyra by her side, and looked

Kyra flashed a look round at her, then lowered her eyes with a flush. Then Percy explained that he had "This is Kyra's first visit," said Percy, who had been standing, drinked him to join the party, but Mr. Buting in the beauty of the girl's preterwick rather shirked young people, sence. "We must try and make it a pleasant one. Come, run away, and don't be too long over your toilettes; you shall see the old haunted room

> In a very little while the party descended to the hall again.

hands, and a walk across the park thought; "he's quite sure of her! "Very well," said Percy. "Just as Mr. Butterwick accompanied them back to the house, got his fishing the lawn, others under Charlie's and with quiet dignity. "You stand to me tackle, and a nice little luncheon pack- Lord St. Clare's guidance, made for ed in a basket, and started, just as the river, and a few prepared to saunthe party from Boxley, some on horse- ter under the elms, or about the ex-

At two o'clock luncheon would be ready, the great bell was to be run It was a merry party. You could "Did she fear me?" he said, in a low hear their light-hearted laughter ringing musically under the low-bending at a Sunday-school feast, to be ver

It was such a free and easy profail to enjoy himself, and when the laughing and happy as the school children they were supposed to resem-

"What a delightful treat you are giving us, Lord Vering!" said a bright little brunette, a schoolfellow of Kyra We have had such a glorious row!

exclaimed Lady Mary, with a pret

"That was when you caught a had declared for lawn tennis, and

A few minutes after the bell ha

"Where is Lord St. Clare?" eyes toward Kyra.

"Why, Miss Kyra, I thought I was dah at tennis-did indeed. I car

Percy laughed. There is an Indian

Devinge, smiling with great affection

ace with Lord St. Clare?"

"No; but I should be very glad to,

"By Jove," thought the young lord. "Why shouldn't I go in for her?" and dividing his attentions between the good things of Monsieur Bertrand and

Percy looking on, and seeing everything, wondered why Charlie

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tinguished conduct in the field." is the second time that the I ture for the Front and appo tain on the Staff of the General manding-in-Chief, Mediterranean peditionary Force, March, 1916. Prince's previous "mention" w 1915, which His Royal Highness ried to London Sir John then occasion to praise his good wo a liaison officer during the batt Neuve Chapelle. Sir John added the Prince had done duty in trenches. One private in the I wrote: "We had a visit from Prince of Wales right in the line. He goes about everyw fearing nothing, and the troop mire his courage immensely.' other soldier remarked that he packed and forwarded to Bu ham Palace the rifle which the I had used in the trenches, and which he had tried to bring do German sniper.

SOLDIERS AND THE ORDER

Lord Kitchener's death leaves French as the solitary represen of the Army among the member the Order of Merit while the service can show three decorthe recipients being Lord Fisher Edward Seymour and Sir A. K. son, as well as the present Firs of the Admiralty, who has jus ceived it. As there are sever cancies in the order, it is sug here that the distinction shou twelve notable men upon whom Edward conferred the Order w was founded fourteen years ago

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