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## Maddolena's Story

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The Cameo Bracelet.

### CHAPTER IX.

Yes; harsh as the charge sounded, it was true. The life he was leading was neither good for soul nor body. After that unsuccessful trip to Lufford, he made one or two further endeavors to discover the whereabouts of the girl he was forced to call his wife, and enter into civil relations with her; but when these were rejected, he felt that he had done all that ought to be expected from him, and gave up the attempt.

Of course, he was sorry for her. She had not been well treated; but, then, he was equally sorry for himself. Was not his position as awkward and unsatisfactory as it could well be? Married, yet ashamed to acknowledge it; urged by his mother and sister to wed, and unable to take the advice; eager to be free yet straggling to make any great efforts to become so, lest the story of his father's dishonor should ooze out—he considered his own perplexities greater than his bride's. Besides, if she had been made a cat's-paw by her cautious uncle, she had proved that she inherited some of his ability to take care of herself, for she had not only foiled Lucas Goldring's covetous schemes, but had contrived to hide from him as long as he was dangerous, and to take the management of her affairs into her own hands.

She was either no timid, inexperienced little creature, who would submit to be the prey of sharpers, or else she had some clever counsellor at her elbow, on whom she relied, and who secretly directed her actions.

This idea was rather a galling one to the young baronet, who certainly was the only person in the world who had a right to advise her; and some time since it had induced him to pen a letter to her, politely acknowledging her generous offer to share with him her fortune, at the same time reminding her that the tie existing between them ought to be either acknowledged or broken—in fact, that he could not consent to be a kind of pensioner on her bounty, and, therefore, he thought a personal interview, during which they could calmly discuss their peculiar position, and perhaps devise some way of extricating themselves from it, would be advisable.

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This letter—intrusted to the lawyer already mentioned—remained for some time unanswered; and when it did evoke a reply, there was more annoyance than satisfaction derived from it.

"I have received your note, Sir Charles Ormsby," it began; "but I scarcely understand it; nor can I see what good it would do us to meet. At our first encounter, you expressed a distaste for me that I don't suppose you have overcome. Perhaps you would not have spoken so openly if you had known that when I was a child I learned to speak French as fluently as my native tongue, and, therefore, understood every remark you made on my appearance. I cannot help being ugly; but I can help living with a gentleman whom my looks disgust, and I mean to do so. As for dissolving our marriage, I do not see how it can be done, unless the circumstances that led to it are related; and my respect for the memory of Sir George makes me anxious to avoid any and everything that might reflect upon it. Let us, therefore, live apart, as we have hitherto been doing. I will never disgrace your name, always supposing I consent to bear it, which at present is improbable."

"Just as she pleases," said Charlie, carefully, tossing the letter into the fire. "I have no wish to force myself into the presence of a girl who evinces such a bitter spirit as she is now displaying. I have stooped to her sufficiently; and, as she has neither the good sense nor good feeling to appreciate my desire to be courteous to her, why, let her go her own way, and I will go mine."

The result of this determination was that the young baronet adopted a course that was not advantageous either to his pocket or his morals. Unfortunately for him, his mother was in almost constant attendance on her daughter; Lady Bingham having fretted so much over the death of her first-born, that a thorough change was prescribed for her, and Lord Bingham begged Lady Ormsby to accompany them on the long tour he immediately projected.

Thus Charlie was left to his own devices, and what followed may easily be divined. A husband, with no wife beside him—a young man who was not only handsome, but gay, and girted with that indefinable charm very few possess—he found himself courted and caressed by both sexes. At first he enjoyed his distinctions, then he grew blasé, and began to experience ennui, and to feel disgusted at the toadyism of his acquaintances. He grew very clear-sighted in the scheming of crafty mammas who had daughters to dispose of, and little dreamed that it was not in the power of the handsome, fascinating baronet to choose a bride from among them. He also saw through the civilities of needy men, to whom his purse was useful, and sometimes

asked himself, with a sigh, if there was any reality in the world, or whether all men and women were actuated solely by self, as those about him seemed to be?

Then this fit of boredom, which proceeded from an uneasy consciousness that he was not living a wife or good life, passed away. There had been no one near to encourage his remorse or strengthen him in the good resolves he formed. To go and live by himself at Ormsby Park, and play the good landlord, would have been dull work; and so he went to Paris instead; encountered there the beautiful Lady Camilla; learned from her sighs and whimpers, as he led her from a ballroom to her carriage, that her husband neglected and even ill-used her; and, at the sight of her tears, felt all his former passionate idoltry revive. And so five years from the period of his insouciant nuptials found him, as the baroness truly described it, "wasting the prime of the life so miraculously spared—a life that had been full of promise till his faith in human nature was blighted by the peridy of the woman he loved, and the discovery of his father's fault."

"Are you going to lecture me, madam?" he asked, with a little impatience. "If so, may I pray you to choose a less public place for my penance?"

"I never lecture," she answered, loftily. "It is not my vocation. When my orphans displeasé me by what they do, I give them my opinion, as I have just given it to you. If they adopt it, so much the better for them; if not, the blame rests on their own heads."

"I am not ungrateful for the interest you evince in me, my aunt," the young man told her, more respectfully.

"But you would rather I testified it in a more agreeable way. Eh bien! I should not be too hard on others; for I do not take all the credit to myself that my impulses are so good. It was always as natural to me to be compassionate to the poor, as it is to you to gamble, or to bet, or run horses."

"But it happens, unfortunately for your smile, that I do neither."

"And why not?" asked the baroness, who was in an inquisitive mood.

"Perhaps because I cannot afford such expensive pastimes," said Charlie, who never spoke of that large balance lying at his banker's, which he was too proud to employ on any personal expenses.

"And why, then, do you not improve your circumstances? You might marry an heiress. Eh, my nephew—eh?"

"There are reasons," he began, and she finished the sentence to him.

"There are reasons; and the principal one is called Camilla Severe. So says the rumor that reached me at St. Petersburg, and made me ashamed of the weakness of my kinsman."

"If it whispered anything against Lady Camilla's fair fame, it was a false rumor, madam," he retorted, so sternly, that the old lady shrugged her shoulders, and shifted her ground.

Charlie Ormsby was one of the best-tempered men she knew; but there were limits to his forbearance, and she had reached them. However, she could not resist giving him another stab ere she quitted the subject.

"I dare say you are right, my nephew, and if not, why, it is nothing to me, for I do not know this fair matron, who is said to prefer any society to her husband's."

Charlie partly withdrew the arm of which she was leaning, and exclaimed: "It is false, madam—it is, of itself, scandalously false!"

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