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I made no answer: I only covered her up, kissed her, and left her, knowing in one sense I did not leave her

And now I must leave you, too, Max. ever since I began this letter. So many

This is is a great blow, no doubt. land. think we shall be able to bear it. One wrecked, always has courage to bear a sorrow

gether, that afterward we can frequently you to help me, Theodora. trace the chain of events, and see in nothing of sorrow.

As for me personally, do not fear; I did not. Nothing in this world will ever do that while I have you.

I. Good-by, my Max.

Yours, only and always,

HIS STORY.

THEODORA JOHNSTON.

CHAPTER XXXI.

My DEAR THEODORA. - You will have received my letters regularly, nor am I Granton says you keep up well, but I

If I ask you to write, my love, believe You may not know it—and it is a hard your failing.

friend. It was then no time to argue the point, nor would it have made any now let me say two words concerning it.

before he tries to win her he will have. if he loves unselfishly and generously, himself. In fact, as I once read somewhere, "When a man truly loves a woman, he would not marry her upon any account unless he was quiet certain he was the best person she could possibly marry." But as soon as she leves him, another side to the subject, analagons to ing to read if he shose, and seeing and he knows it, and is certain that, however unworthy he may be, or however spoken. You will find it in the seventh blue sky, fresh and pure as ever sky many faults she may possess-I never chapter of Luke, and eighth of John: was, I thought of two lines you once told you you were an angel, did I, little written, I conclude, to be not only read, repeated to me out of your dear head, lady?—they have cast their lots together but acted up to by all Christians who so full of poetry: chosen one another, as your church says, desire to have in them "the mind of "For better, for worse"—then the face Christ." of things is entirely changed. He has his rights, close and strong as no other human being can have with regard to sin no more," applies to this sin also. her-she has herself given them to him; forever and ever.

not suppose that it will be a friend's kiss her pure right hand to a poor creature if there be such a thing—that—But who never can be an innocent girl again;

me to expres a myself on this vis.

My love, this letter is partly to consult

being very weary in body, though my well as bodily, I have little doubt; she expelled the neighborhood. They must been both grieved and annoyed—indeed, mind is comfortable and refreshed-ay, has in her the foundations of all endurof your good words have come back to ligious mind. The first blow over, a poor. Do not have them driven away in was a disgrace to the family." And me while I wrote—words which you certain little girl whom I know will be such a manner as will place no alternhave let fall at odd times, long ago., even to her a saving angel; as she has been to sides, there is the child—how a man can usta perfectly adored his wife, and how not think I should remember them? I fore-"Fear God, and have no other ever desert his own child !-but I will the hope and pride of the family were

upon us and our house lately. But I the only person who has been ship-understand.

The more so because my occupation here You once said that we often live to see ties my hands so much. You and I do the reason of affliction; how all the not live for ourselves, you know-nor

In my last I informed you how the humble faith and awe that out of each story of Lydia Cartwright came to my one has been evolved the other, and that knowledge, and how, beside her father's everything, bad and good, must necess- coffin, I was entreated by her old mother arily have happened exactly as it did. to find her out and bring her home if Thus I begin to see-you will not possible. I had then no idea who the be hurt, Max?-how well it was, on "gentleman" was, but afterward was led some accounts, that we were not married to suspect it might be a friend of Mr. -that I should still be living at home Charteris. To assure myself, I one day with my sister; and that, after all she put some questions to him-point-blank, knows, and she only, of what has I believe, for I abhor diplomacy, nor had happened to me this year, she cannot re- I any suspicion of him personally. In ject any comfort I may be able to offer the answer, he gave me a point-blank her on the ground that I myself know and insulting denial of any knowledge on the subject.

When the whole truth came out, I was have you. You once feared that a great in doubt what to do consistent with my anguish would break my heart, but it promise to the poor girl's mother. Finally, I made inquiries; but heard that the Kensington cottage had been Max, kiss me—in thought I mean—as sold up, and the inmates removed. I dull, fat, clean, and stolid. During the go. friends kiss friends who are starting on a then got the address of Sarah Enfield long and painful journey, of which they that is, I commissioned my old friend, see no end, yet are not afraid. Nor am Mrs. Ansdell, to get it, and sent it to Mrs. Cartwright, without either advice or explanation, except that it was that of a person who knew Lydia. Are, you closing money, saying she was well and happy, but nothing more ?

woman immediately on receiving my much surprised that they have not been letter, shut up her cottage, leaving the answered. I have heard, from time to key with a neighbor, and dissappeared. time, in other ways, all particulars of But she may come back, and not alone; your sister's illness and of you. Mrs. I hope, most carnestly, it will not be alone. And therefore I write, partly to know that, could I see it now, it would prepare you for this chance, that you be the same little pale face which used to may contrive to keep your sister from come stealing to me from your father's any unnecessary pain, and also from another reason.

ealousy thing to have to enlighten my innoce of any of your home-duties, but because love, but your father is quite right; I am wearying for a sight of your hand- Lydia's story is by no means rare, nor is writing, and an assurance from yourself it regarded in the world as we view it. that you are not failing in health, the There are very few-especially among only thing in which I have any fear of the set to which Mr. Charteris belonged -who either profess or practice, the To answer a passage in your last, which | Christian doctrine, that our bodies also I have hitherto let be, there was so much are the temples of the Holy Spirit-that besides to write to you about -the pas- a man's life should be as pure as a wosage concerning friends parting from man's, otherwise no woman, however she friends. At first I interpreted it that may pity, can, or ought to respect him, in your sadness of spiritland hopelessness or to marry him. This, it appears to me of the future you wished me to sink back is the Christian principle of love and into my old place, and be only your marriage-the only one by which the one can be made sacred, and the other difference in my letters either way; but variably, in every way to set this forth; there is still much room for personal My child, when a man loves a woman, wife that will be-whom it is my blessing a man is sick or dying, unconsciously his many a doubt concerning both her and atonement and my heart now offers in great advantage over all other; and it humblest thanksgiving.

But enough of myself.

Now, my child, you see what I mean -how the saving command, "Go and

You know much more of what Lydia and if he has any manliness in him he Cartwright used to be than I do; but it times. never will let them go, but hold her fast takes long for any one error to corrupt the entire character; and her remem-My dear Theodora, I have not the brance of her mother, as well as her slightest intention of again subsiding charity to Sarah Enfield, imply that into your friend. I am your lover and there must be much good left in the girl and your betrothed husband. I will still. She is young. Nor have I heard wait for you any number of years, till of her ever falling lower than this once. you have fulfilled all your duties, and no But she may fall; since, from what I earthly rights have power to separate us know of Mr. Charteris's present circumlonger. But, in the meantime, I hold stances, she must now, with her child. fast to my rights. Everything that be left completely destitute. It is not lover or future husband can be to you. I the first similar case, by many, that I must be. And when I see you, for I am have had to do with; but my love never determined to see you at intervals, do can have met with the like before. Is

leave—it is essential for your sister that Sir William had quite disowned his ance -a true, upright nature and a re-they should; but the old woman is very nephew-such ungentlemanly conduct fear:" You will bring your sister safe to not enter into that part of the subject. centred in her, with more to the same This is a strange "love" letter; but I purport. Truly this young couple have The hand of Provience has been heavy But, you are aware, Penelope is not write it without hesitation-my love will their cup brimming over with life and You will like to hear something of me;

I should not intrude this side of the but there is little to tell. The life of a which shows its naked face, free from subject at present, did I not feel it to be some degree of duty, and one that, in a mill; and, for some things, nearly in the midst of the home, and has to be met and lived down patiently by every reached me, will not bear deferring. In a mill; and, for some things, nearly in a mill; and, for some things, nearly in a mill; and, for some things, nearly it, "sweeter than honey and the honeyold and the blind. I have to shut my comb" to me unworthy. eyes to so much that I cannot remedy, and take patiently so much to fight against which would be like knocking events of life hang so wonderfully to- indeed wholly for one another. I want down the Pyramids of Egypt with one's do concerning Mrs. Cartwright or her head as a battering-ram, that sometimes my courage fails.

This great prison is, you know, a nodel of its kind, on the solitary, sanitary and moral improvement system; excellent, no doubt, compared with that which preceded it. The prisoners are of beasts, fed and stalled by rule in the which you know. exercising hour I sometimes stand and pression or intelligence.

I this morning heard that the old lady! so I will not repeat them here. make you smile.

above the age of fourteen were all summarily hanged.

Do you smile, my love, at this comcannot hardly believe share the same you perfect trust and perfect rest. common womanhood as my Theodora. about Lydia Cartwright; it is seldom suddenly, but step by step, that this degradation comes. And at every step there is hone: at least, such is my exper-

Do not suppose, from this description, that I am disheartened at my work "honorable to alf." I have tried, in- here; besides rules and regulations, nor do I hesitate to write of it to my influence, especially in hospital. When to have united with me in every work heart is humanized—he thinks of God. which my conscience once compelled as From this simple cause, my calling has a is much to have physical agencies on one's side, as I do not get them in the While this principle of total purity streets and town. To-day, looking up being essential for both man and woman from a clean, tidy, airy cell, where the cannot be too sternly upheld, there is occupant had at least a chance of learnone of which you and I have often through the window the patch of bright

"God's in His Heaven;

the train to Treherne Court, wishing to one ray of hope is discernible, the soul learn something of Rockmount. You is alive. To save souls alive, that is said it was your desire I should visit your special calling. It seems as if you your brother-in-law and sister some- yourself had been led through deep

them standing, talking and laughing to- not be displeased. gether, a very picture of youth and for- Max, hitherto nobody but I has seen tune and handsome looks; a picture ground; its green slopes, and its herds of a stray hand fingering them before they Francis now. The sharpest and most vigor. Zopesa cleanses the entire sysdeer racing about—while the turrets of reach mine; yet this week I actually prominent would be the ever-abiding tem, stimulates the liver, keeps you

book, growing poetical and descriptive

My love, this letter is partly for whealth and so gone wrong?

You need have no anxiety for your ways, and I took out your letter to compared the state, but I know your mind almost as I know my own, and can construct the in what I want being myself to not seem to have affected her. She was glad it was a landar would to his wife.

A you need have no anxiety for your ways, and I took out your letter to compared to which my own are nothing, and the in what I want being myself to not seem to have affected her. She was glad it was not you asked to would be in wife.

A you sister Penelope and her great sorrow I have already written fully seem to be considered as a landar way of them to the permute your native not altogether to soon make a far better marriage." Her ways so it will not you allow the ment of the construction of the permute your native not altogether to have already written fully seem to have already writt its joys.

My love, good-by; which means only "God be with thee!" nor in any way implies "farewell." Write soon. Your words are, as the Good Book expresses

MAX URQUHART.

I should add, though you would almost take it for granted, that, in all you strike it down. 'Thou shalt have none shut up from the outside world, that daughter, I wish yov to do nothing without your father's knowledge and consent.

CHAPTER XXXII.

CIPD OTODY Another bright, dazzlingly bright, numerous, and as soon as many of these summer morning, on which I begin get out they take the greatest pains to writing to my dear Max. This seems get in again; such are the comforts of the longest-lasting, loveliest summer I iail life contrasted with that outside. ever knew outside the house. Within not say any more for tears. Yet they seem to me often like a herd all goes on much in the same way,

You never do. I can see how you having received a "love-letter" in all my I felt myself grow het as fire—I do watch them, each pacing his small carry me in your heart continually, and life, and hoped earnestly I never might. bricked circle, and rarely catch one how you are forever considering how countenance which has a ray of ex- you can help me and mine, and if it write to you about, then?" were not become so natural to feel this, I told her in a general way. I would Good as many of its results are, I so sweet to depend upon you and accept not see her half-satirical, half-incredulous and never a blush, they had brought a aware that Lydia has more than once have my doubts as to this solitary system; but they are expressed on paper in ing "thank you," I might begin to ex- though she turned away and shut her Oh, Max, the horror of shame and the MS. you asked for, my kind little press "gratitude," but the word would eyes, I felt sure she was both listening repulsion, and then the perfect anguish

Yet it will be a change of thought I amused you once, I remember, by from your sister's sick-room for you to an indignant disclaimer of obligations think of me in mine-not a sick-room between such as ourselves, how every does not deserve it. No man does." though, thank God! This is a most thing given and received ought to be healthy region: the sea-wind sweeps free as air, and how you ought to take as I could. round the prison walls and shakes the me as readily if I were heiress to ten roses in the governor's garden till one thousand a year, as I would you if you can hardly believe it is so dreary a place were the Duke of Northumberland. inside. Dreary enough sometimes to No, Max; those are not these sort of avail. make one believe in that reformer who things that give me toward you the feeloffered to convert some depraved region ing of "gratitude," it is the goodness. into a perfect Utopia provided the males the thoughtfulness, the tender love and pliment to your sex at the expense of which alone could have satisfied a rest- tion." pliment to your sex at the expense of mine? Yet I see wretches here who I less, irritable girl like me, who finds in It went hard, Max, indeed it did! till so blessed—I that am so happy—yes,

sister Penelope.

After thus long following out your

who was it ?" I said, the gardener and myself to-

gether.

"Thank you." She called John. showed him what a good bloom it was, and consulted how they should manage to get the plant to flower again next year. She can then look forward to 'next year."

All's right with the world."

You say that, as "while there is life
Yesterday I had a holiday. I took
there is hope," with the body, so, while waters of despair in order that you might They seemed very happy—so much as personally understand how those feel long, sullen silences, which sometimes to be quite independent of visitors, but who are drowning, and therefore knew last for hours. they received me warmly, and I gained best how to help them. And lately you tidings of you. They escorted me back have in this way done more than you cruel things she must lie thinking about, as far as the park gates, where I left know of. Shall I tell you? You will she ever thinks, as I do often, what has

a line of your letters. I could not bear deal with her. I have tried to imagine suited to the place, with its grand and it. I am as jealous over them as any myself in her place, and consider what gestion, tone the stomach for suited to the place, with its grand and it. I am as jealous over them as would have been my own feelings toward take, the body needs it for strength and

I have said er ough -it is not easy for who also, from the over severity of Rock- but this brief contrast to my daily life her saleep. I had been very miserable bad man, a sinner against heaven, would mount, may have been let alip a little made the impression particularly strong. that morning—tried much in several be tenfold worse than any sin or cruelty

I saw Penelope's wide open, watching "Has Dr. Urquhart been writing anything to wound you?" said she, slowly

and bitterly. I eagerly disclaimed this. "Is he ill?"

"Oh no, thank God !" "Why then were you crying?"

Why, indeed? But what could I say, except the truth, that they were not Cartwright, I merely answered "that I tears of pain, but because you were so would endeavor to do as you wished," as good and I was so proud of you! I for- indeed, I always would, feeling that my got what arrows these words must have dury to you, even in the matter of "obebeen into my sister's heart. No wonder dience," has already begun. I mean she spoke as she did-spoke out fiercely, to obey, you see, but would rather do it and yet with a certain solemnity.

you sow, and I shall not pity you. I just said this, and no more. Make to yourself an idol, and God will My life has been so still, so safely other gods but me.' Remember who there are many subjects I have never says that and tremble."

not remembered. I said to my sister Francis, I put it aside, hoping to forget as cently as I could, "that I made no it. When you revived it, I was at first idols: that I knew all your faults, and startled; then I tried to ponder over it. you mine, and we loved one another in carefully, so as to come to right judgspite of them, but we did not worship ment and be enabled to act in every way one another-only God. That, if it as became not only myself. Theodora were His will we should part, I believed Johnston, but-let me not be ashamed we could part. And -- "here I could to say it -Theodora, Max Urquhart's

Penelope looked sorry.

manner best to preserve their health, My moors are all growing purple, trine once, child, but—"she started afraid. I have been only waiting opand keep them from injuring their neigh- Max; I never remember the heather so up violently. Can't you give me some- portunity, which at length came. bors; their bodies well looked after, but rich and abundant; I wish you could thing to amuse me? Read me a bit of their souls—they might scarcely have see it. Sometimes I want you so! If that—that nonsense. Of all amusing Penelope's that was, you know—whisany! They are simply Nos 1, 2, 3, and you had given me up, or were to do so things in this world, there is nothing pering something among themselves, and so on, with nothing of human individual now from hopelessness, pride, or any like a love-letter. But don't believe ity, or responsibility about them. Even other reason, what would become of me? them, Dora"—she grasped my hand hard the question direct, the answer was: their faces grow to the same pattern, Max, hold me fast. Do not let me -"there are every one of them lies.

I said that I could not judge, never Lydia have come home. "No love-letters? What does he borne-it must be told.

and thinking.

"Dr. Urquhart cannot have an easy or of our parish-Lydia was one of them; pleasant life," she observed, "but he if they had been taught better; if I had

"Or woman either," said I, as gently Penelope bade me hold my tongue:

preaching was my father's business, not would that my life had been more like mine, that is, if reasoning were of any yours!

I asked, did she think it was not? want to smother thought. Child, can't know no more than of the care. I don't mean to insult your sex you talk a little? Or stay, read me some savages—on the group of ragged girls by saying no man ever loved like you, of Dr. Urquhart's letters; they are not who were growing up at our very door. but few men love in that special way love-letters, so you can have no object no one knows how, and no one cares. I

I considered—perhaps, to hear of people Max, happy! I will work with all my If not allowed to be grateful on my more miserable than herself, more wicked strength while it is day. You will help Think over carefully what I asked you own account, I may be in behalf of my than Francis, might not do harm but me. And you will never love me the good to my poor Penelope.

So I was brave enough to take out my I was going that very afternoon to orders, medical and mental, I begin to letter and read from it (with reservations walk direct to Mrs. Cartwright's, when I notice a slight change in Penelope. She now and then, of course), about your remembered your charge, that nothing no longer lies in bed late, on the plea daily work and the people concerned should be attempted without my father's that it shortens theday, nor isshe so diffi- therein; all that interests me so much, knowledge and consent. cult to persuade in going out. Farther and makes me feel happier and prouder I took the opportunity when he and I than the garden she will not stir, but than any mere "love letter" written to than the garden she will not stir, out chair any more there I get her to creep up and down for or about myself. Penelope was intergone to bed. He was saying she looked a little while daily. Lately she has be ested too, both in the jail and the hospital better. He thought she might begin gun to notice her flowers, especially a matters. They touched that practical, visiting in the district soon, if she were white moss-rose which she took great benevolent, energetic half of her, which pride in, and which never flowered until ttll lately has made her papa's right might take a stroll around the village, this summer. Yesterday its first bud hand in the parish. I saw her large He should ask her to-morrow. opened; she stopped and examined black eyes brightening up, till an unfortunate name, upon which I fell un-"Somebody has been mindful of this; awares, changed all.

Max. I am sure she had heard of Tom Turton, Francis knows him. When I medicine required in the household. It stopped with some excuse, she bade me is for internal as well as external use. Turton, Francis knows him. When I go on, so I was obliged to finish the Every bottle is guaranteed to give satismiserable history. She then asked: "Is Turton dead ?"

I said, "No," and referred to the post-You say that, as "while there is life Turton may yet live to amend his ways. Penelope muttered:

"He never will. Better he died." I said Dr. Urquhart did not think so She shook her head impatiently, exclaiming she was tired, and wished to hear no more, and so fell into one of her I wonder whether, among the many

become of Francis?

Sometimes, puzzling over how best to deer racing about—while the turrets of the magnificent house which they call read out loud two pages of one of them sense of his degradation—he who was so regular and able to eat ten-penny nails. Letters and postal cards come in daily

and better life, in a new world.

A new and better life. This phrase-Penelope might call it our "cant," yet what we solemnly believe in is surely not cant-brings me to something I have to tell you this week. For some reasons I am glad it did not occur until this week, that I might have time for consideration.

Max, if you remember, when you made to me that request about Lydia with my heart, as well as my conscience. "Dora Johnston, you will reap what So, hardly knowing what to say to you,

says that and tremble."

I should have trembled, Max, had I After the first great shock concerning

By-and-by all became clear to me. My "I remember you preaching that doc- dear Max, I do not hesitate: I am not

> Last Sunday I overheard my classtrying to hide it from me. When I put

"Please, Miss, Mrs. Cartwright and

now in telling you. Only it must be

Also another thing, which one of the bigger girls let out, with many titters.

of pity that came over me! These girls tried to teach them, instead of all these years studying or dreaming, thinking wholly of myself and caring not a straw about my fellow-creatures. Oh. Max,

It shall be henceforth. Going home through the village, with the sun shin-"I think nothing about nothing. I ing on the cottages, of whose inmates I made a vow to myself. I that have been less for anything I feel-or do.

were sitting alone together-Penelope properly persuaded. At least, she

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