To Whom She Said

But presently she laid her clasped hands on the table between them, and leaned towards him.

"If you had said that you have often been inclined to hate me—to consider me, although I have not deserved it, beartless, indifferent, or, pernaps, mercenary—I should not be very much sur-prised, for I know that apearances have been against me. But you-ah! you have nothing to reproach yourself for, except judging too hastily and harshly the woman whom you once professed to love."

Still Frank would not take in his the shapely hands that lay so near his own, nor meet the pleading glances that were seeking to revive his doraffection. "If I have misjudged you, Mrs. Mers-

tham, it is so long ago that I think we can both afford to forget It." "Yes, if we are friends again," she responded; "if you will believe me

when I say that it was for your sake that I married another.' Frank Lyssendon smiled, but it was not pleasantly.

'Mr. Stretby is a long time concluding his bargain. May I offer you some refreshments?" "I shall be glad of a little wine,"

Verna murmured, "for I am not feeling well. Oh, Frank! your refusal to hear my defense cuts me to the heart." She began to sob so bitterly that the young man, ashamed of his coldness. started from his chair, and, coming to her side, laid his hand on her shoul-

"Dear Verna, pray do not distress yourself! What is it you wish me to do? Have I not already assured you that, if I am unjust, I regret it? The of your marriage is one that really cannot be discussed by you and

"But you will not let me tell you how I held out against the wishes of my friends, and positively refused to accept Mr. Merstham, till they told me that I should ruin you-that, with himself a good soldier, my dear young expensive habits and tastes, it would never do for me to marry a poor man-and that, in a little while, you would detest me as a burden, instead of loving me as a wife." "Did my mother say these things to

"No; but I am sure that they were in her mind. Oh, Frank! can't you see now why I resolutely put away from me all those dreams of happiness, which, for your sake, I dared not attempt to realize, and let them do as pleased with me?'

"I came to the conclusion some time since that your decision was for the best," he replied. But this sounded too equivocal, too

cold, to satisfy her, although she heard it with one of her brightest smiles. "I am so glad! Then you have done me justice at last! Do you know that you sent me home the other day with an aching heart-for I am too fastidito make many friends-and when you, one of the truest, the oldest, I have, scarcely spoke to me, I was miserable indeed."

"The rencontre was such an unex-pected one," he reminded her. "Ah! I understand. It revived feelings not easily controlled. I, too, was vexed that our first meeting, after so long an interval, had to take place be-

fore strangers.' She paused to give him an opportunity to say something more kind, more affectionate, than his former speeches he been; but he only turned away to ture the wine for which she had

Do you like Aldenby?" she inquired,

as she sipped it.

He seemed relieved at this change in the conversation, and answered:
"Do I like Aldenby? Not much. Like
most garrison towns it is dull and dirty, and an English winter contrasts unfavorably with the climate we have just left. These raw mists chill and depress men who have been accustom-

ed to the clear skies and bracing atmosphere of Canada." Perhaps you have other causes for the depression at which you hint," Mrs. Merstham observed, her eyes furtively watching his countenance while she spoke. "Perhaps, during your long sojourn in Canada you found new ties-

She could not proceed, for her lips were dry, her voice husky; but he responded promptly, and without embarrassment.

"No; none that cost me more regret than we ordinarily feel in saying good-bye to a circle of hospitble, sociable people. I missed the Stretbys very much when they left the regiment, and am pleased to find that papa Stretby's predilection for his old pro-fession had induced him to settle so near us. But here he comes; shall we meet him?"
"One minute," said Verna. "Promise

that you will no longer avoid me; that you will come and see me soon-tomorrow; shall it be tomorrow?" The young man hesitated, then told

her the honest truth. "I cannot reconcile myself to the idea

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of entering the house of Mr. Mers-

"But it is my house, Frank," she cried, eagerly. "He never lived there, and not a trace of his presence shall offend your eye. He bought Fairlawn for me. It is furnished according to my own taste; and I have forgiven him for the unhappiness he made me suffer, because he has left me richly dowered and free.

Mr. Stretby entered the hut before she could ascertain what effects her words had on her hearer, but ere she quitted the hut she boldly asked:

"When shall we see you at East-ham, cousin Frank? How much longer will the bugbear, duty, chain you here, day after day?"
"Don't blame the boy for proving

lady," interposed Mr. Stretby. "Let him take his turn without flinching, whenever his turn comes; only you must not fail to get leave for our bazar, Lyssendon. The girls will be very much disappointed if all their old friends don't rally round them."

"Then they may depend on me," cried Frank, speaking heartily and cheerfully for the first time. "I would not miss the bazar on any account." "No, don't," said Mr. Stretby, "for I went all the way to — yesterday, to secure a baron of beef for my table no, stall, don't they call it?-that it will do you all good to look at. By George! I shall feel like the 'fine old English gentleman, one of the olden time,' when I put the knife into it. Venetia talked of popping me into doublet and hose, velvet coat and ruffles, to make the affair more imposing: but I'm too old for that sort of thing. I shall be content to pin my Victoria Cross on my coat and look what I am-an old soldier."

"We shall have you back in the regiment before long." laughed Frank, as he shook hands with him, and arranged the rug over Mrs. Merstham's

"Hush! don't say that at home. When Mrs. Stretby was ill and nervous, I promised to retire, and I kept my word as soon as I could: but it has cost me a struggle, and if I was sure it wouldn't upset her, I'd-yes, I'd fetch out the old regimentals again tomorrow.

"It is very cold," said Mrs. Mers-tham, with a shiver; and thus reminded of her presence, the two officersthe veteran and the young man-part ed, Frank returning to the door of his hut, where he stood watching the re-

ceding carriage. "Was ever temptation set before a man in a fairer shape?" he mentally exclaimed. "Oh! Verna, Verna! the old witchery lurks in your smiles, but take care that it does not rouse me to grasp at revenge where you think to inspire a softer feeling. Is she maneuvering only to make me her slave, till some adorer of higher rank presents himself; or is she in earnest? If so, no one could blame me for marrying the beautiful young widow of a millionaire. 'Wealthy and free,' did she say? Bah! I'll turn my back on the promptings of the evil one for tonight,

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LABRADOR LOST

At Kerrymore Rock, Off Tobermory, Scotland.

The Passengers and Crew Safe-The Steamer Sailed From Halifax Feb. 21-Many of Her Passengers Were Ontario People.

Halifax, N. S., March 2 .- The steamship Labrador, which sailed from Halifax on the 21st ult. for Liverpool, via Moville, is reprted here to have been lost. Later the report was confirmed by cable from Liverpool, No further particulars are given, except that all on board were saved.

Great excitement prevailed in Halifax when the report gained circulation that the big passenger steamer Labrador, of the Domnion Line, which sailed from this port early on Tuesday morning of last week, bound to Livervia Moville, had been wrecked on the Irish coast. She had 56 passengers on board, was commanded by Capt. Erskine, and carried a crew of about 100 officers and men. At a late hour the news of the disaster was confirmed by the receipt of a cablegram from Liverpool by A. G. Jones & Co., Halifax, agents of the Dominion Line. The cable message read: "Labrador total loss. All hands saved."

THE PASSENGERS. The lost steamer's passengers included 20 in the saloon, 16 in the second cabin and 20 in the steerage. One of the saloon passengers was Agoncillo, a member of Aguinaldo's rebel Filipino commission, whose unexpected sailing from Halifax for England last week attracted wide attention. The other saloon passengers were W. R. Cuthbertson, Nathan Mercier, G. D.

Bowles, Chas. Brien, W. W. Stanley, W. A. Heustis, Chas. Leigh, jun., S. A. McLeod, L. E. Prowse, H. Tettley, J. W. McLaren, M. P. Chisholm, E. F. Wilkinson, A. J. Gorrie, Lieut. Hard-man, A. E. Holm, Gilbert Wintle and Mrs. J. Greenshields.

Most of those named came from Upper Canada to board the Labrador

SCENE OF THE DISASTER.

The telegram, as given out by the Halifax agents, did not state where the steamer was lost, but Messrs. Jones say it was on the Irish coast. The Labrador was due at Moville yesterday. The cargo taken from Halifax consisted of 1,200 barrels of apples and 254 tons of general cargo, including 41 packages of cordage and 2,858 bales of wood pulp.

The Labrador was a steel steamer,

2,998 tons net, 4,737 tons gross, and was built by Harland & Wolfe at Belfast in 1891. Her dimensions were: Length, 401 feet; bread'h. 47 feet; depth 28 feet; engines, 650 horse power.

CONFIRMATION OF THE NEWS. A dispatch from St. John, N. B., says: The Cable Company reports that the Labrador is ashore on Sherryvere Rock, twelve miles southwest of Tree Island. The cargo taken from St. John by the wrecked Labrador included flour, oil cake, meat, glucose, croton oil, all American goods, valued at \$50,-000; also 43,987 bushels of wheat, 535 sacks of flour, and miscellaneous goods, all Canadian goods, valued at years in Kingston penitentlary. P. M. Houston sentenced Anthony for two

A London dispatch says; It is believed that all the passengers are safe. She was wrecked at Skerrymore Rock, off Tobermory, a town of Scotland, county of Argyle, on the northwest of the Island of Mull.

Robert McGinty, Ingersoll's Oldest Resident, Dead, Aged 101 Years

Brantford Man Takes Carbolic Acid in Mistake for Medicine-Scandal in Woodstock Municipal Finances-Three Robberies in Brantford.

Three robberies occurred in Brantford on Tuesday night. No clue to the

An examination of the peach buds in Essex county shows that the recent cold snap did not injure them to any

The school at Harrow has been ordered closed on account of the prevalence of scarlet fever. Over 50 cases

have been reported. The Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway Company has purchased fif-teen new coaches for excursion business on their lines next summer.

company is also rebuilding three en-Sarnia Observer: George Loughead, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Loughead, of this town, arrived here this morning from Sydney, New South Wales, Australia, after an absence of

ten years in that country. Woodstock Times: There is a scandal in municipal finances. It was found by the fire and light committee this morning that \$9 and \$10 a ton has been charged for hay used by the fire horses. Hay on the market is \$6 a ton.

Another of Orford's oldest settlers passed away on Sunday, in the person of Mrs. John Stone, of Highgate, in the 93rd year of her age. The de-ceased had been suffering from a very severe cold, coupled with old age, and she passed peacefully away.

John Duggan, 71 years old, has lived in Sandwich West nearly all his life. There is no poorhouse, and at his request the magistrate agreed to send him to jail for 30 days, There he will probably remain for the rest of his life, although he has always been an indus-

trious and honest man. Mr. Gilbert McKay, formerly of Toronto, died in Blenheim at the age of 72 years. Deceased had no relatives thereabouts. His children, all grown up, are living in Toronto. The Masonic fraternity looked after the funeral arrangements. The remains were taken

to Toronto for interment. Mrs. William Hawley, of Mull, Harwich township, is dead, at the age of 68 years. She leaves a husband, two sons and one daughter. Deceased was probably the best known lady in the vicinity of Mull, and was noted for her charitable acts and the great interest

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A movement is on foot amongst the business men of Woodstock to petition the town council to constitute a board of police commissioners under the provisions of section 481 of the Municipal Act, which provides that such a board shall consist of the mayor of the town, the judge of the county and the police magistrate of the town. It is probable that this move will meet with no opposition on the part of the council.

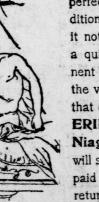
Robert McGinty, undoubtedly Ingersoll's oldest resident, died at his home, King Charles street, on Wedensday morning, aged 101 years. He had been a resident of the town for a number of years and had seen it as a wilder ness, village and a thriving town. He always enjoyed very good health, and was seen on the strets several times last summer. The severe weather this winter was very hard on him, and about three weeks ago he contracted la grippe, and was unable to grapple with the disease.

Mr. Elvidge, of Brantford, swallowed a quantity of carbolic acid in mistake for the contents of a bottle of medicine he is taking, and which was kept in the corner of a cupboard in the house. As soon as he swallowed the poison the man knew his mistake, and Dr. Phillips, of Colborne street, was hastily summoned. The medical man found Elvidge in bad shape, but on prompt application of the stomach pump and other remedies, the desired result was produced, and today he is doing nicely. As it was, Elvidge had a close call.

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Dentists have declared the teeth genuine and probably from a human being. This new evidence against Sausage Maker Albert A. Becker has been submitted to Dr. Geo. A. Dorsey, expert osteologist, who won prominence in the Luetgert case. The authorities are awaiting the expert's opinion, with the hope that science will come to their aid in this case, as It did in the legal battle against the wealthy manufacturer, Adolph Lueta life sentence in Joliet penitentiary

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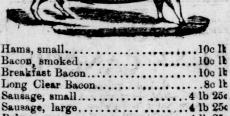
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