"Oh, I don't know," he said hesita-

tingly . "You see, I've got my work

"Your work!" ejaculated Mrs. Felt-

am, indignantly, and with something

very much like a snort. "Ridiculous!"

"Nonsense!" said Mrs. Feltham

Anyhow, I've got to stick to it."

now what has happened."

cousin's little exaggerations.

Lord Ferndale-"

ed. aghast.



The Lost Will

LOVE TRIUMPHS AT LAST.

where is she?"

"At that little hut-cottage," said head. Nora: "we were there when we heard her at once."

They rose, and walked for some little time side by side in silence. Jack Here, come inside! Come, Miss Norton; you must rest for a little while

"It was most awfully good of you," But you're always kind-hearted andand thoughtful for others."

ment," said Nora gravely. She turned a trick, and a very foolish one-to of you both. Yes; I've been a bit leave all your friends without a word seedy-through an accident; but I'm of your Intention, and to masquerade all right now. And what about startas a-a common workman, a navvy? ing? You ought to be getting home." Don't you think it was rather heart-

"Oh, no, I don't," said Jack. "I tust did what I was obliged to do. I thing else but manual labour. And I tell you I was precious glad to get this job. And it isn't such a bad job, come to think of it. The work's hard: but you get terribly fit, you know. Strikes me I found the occupation I'm suited for. It's all very well to talk, the way that he's most suited for. If bother, you know!" you've no brains, and plenty of muscle something else of that sort, and there's

"You might have written to-Mabel." said Nora, still unappeased. "We'l, perhaps I might," he admit-

ted, a little shamefacedly; "but I didn't want to worry her. You know would regard this kind of thing." He ly. "All right, now. Poor Fleming looked down, with a smile, at his hit me with a stone. Just broke the rough clothes. "And yet there's noth skin, nothing more. Now, I say, you ing to be ashamed of; honest toil and two must be going; you must, really. all that, you know. How's Ferndale?" No place for you." "Lord Ferndale was very wellwhen I last saw him," replied Nora, in said Mrs. Feltham, decidedly.

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measured terms, and bending he

then he sighed, and muttered, half inaudibly, "Lucky beggar!"

Jack looked puzzled for a moment:

By this time they had come within sight of the small hut, and Mrs. Felt- Jack coldly. "Fraid I can't do that, ham, who had been standing at the Mabel. Not wanted now, you know. door, hurried towards them.

"Oh, Jack!" she cried, as she fell still bewildered. "So Mabel is here; cried, drawing back and shuddering will." at the sight of the wound on his fore-

> tussle. He's drowned, Mabel-overturned the boat. Now, don't faint, do hope nothing of this absurd adven-

before you go back." He put Mrs. Feltham into a chair, he said. "I can't help dwelling on it. found one for Nora, and seated him-

his for a moment. "A will has been self on the edge of the bed. though, between you and me, it's much Mr. Chalfont's last will-Mr. Horton has declared it to be so. It leaves more luxurious than the other felon him accusingly. "Mr. Chalfonte, lows'. Miss Norton's been telling me why did you play this trick-for it is how you found me out. Awfully kind

hurt. Let me see to that wound!"

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neither delight nor satisfaction in his two."

tatingly, gloomily. Nora smiled, with her eyes fixed on

ture of yours will crop up-"

"What is this?" he asked.

Jack turned to Nora frowningly.

"It is quite true, Mr. Chalfonte," she

said Gravely, and raising her eyes to

"Oh, I'm just where I was," she Mrs. Feltham rose, but was quite said, easily,

and stared at his boots. He was trypause, went to the washing-stand, ing to realise all that this discovery poured out some water, and moistened of the will meant, not only to him but to Nora.

"This-this is very sudden and-"Oh, don't you trouble, Miss Norton," said Jack, with earnest depreca- awkward," he said. "But are you tion. "Couldn't think of letting you sure you're right? There were two sure you're right? There were two multiply. A true cure of all eczewills made that night, and this may be matous diseases can be brought about But Nora made a sign of command.

and, with manly obedience, he bent is!" down over the basin while she washed the wound. His head was so bent that unaffected cheerfulness. "As I said, he did not see the expression on her Mr. Horton is quite satisfied; and if face, which wore the look which a he is satisfied"—she laughed—"there can be no doubt about it. Now, you woman always wears when she is see, Mr. Chalfonte, why it is necessary that you should come back to

"I see." he admitted reluctantly. He was silent for a moment, as he pondered over the difference the dis- Household Notes covery of the will would make in the "Yes: and you'll come with us,"

"But look here," he said. "It's quite evident that, though poor Chalfont didn't mean to leave the whole thing stitching where it is to be cut. Nora raised her head and opened her lips as if about to speak. "Let's look cleaning. at this thing reasonably. It's pretty plain to me that Chalfont changed his leave the money to, Miss Norton; and

back as stiff as a poker.

"Am I to understand, Mr. Chalfonte that you are offering me your forune?" she said, coldly, but with a

The Quick Way to Stop a Cough

"It isn't a bit ridiculous, Mabel," he said, with a short laugh. "In fact, it's precious hard, until you're used to it. "Jack, you're forgetting-no, it's I who am forgetting that you don't "What has happened?" he asked, with a smile: for he was used to his Nora sat quite still, her eyes bent on the floor; her hands had been clasped loosely in her lap, but they tightened now as she waited for Mrs. "Of course, you don't know, Jack - I'm so bewildered and confused that I can't realise anything; that you're here, that we're here, that there's been a terrible scene between that awful man, Stephen Fleming-"

"He's dead, poor chap, Mabel!" said Jack, gravely. "Drowned! You know flush on her beautiful face. "If so, "Yes, yes. Oh, it's dreadful! But when I offered you only a portion of what could you expect when a man the fortune which had fallen to me so gives way to drink and dissipation? unexpectedly, you refused to accept a But. Jack, you must come away at penny. Please credit me with someonce; you must leave this dreadful thing of the pride which you possess, place, where you never ought to have and --- Oh, you don't think I should come. You must come back to Chert- accept your-or any man's-charity!" son at once and take up your posi-

With this she walked out of the hut. "As Miss Norton's agent?" said countenance Mabel's anxious one. "Now I've gone and done it!" he

said, ruefully. "Yes, I've offended her. But, you know, it's absurd to suppose, "I don't know what you're talking for one moment, that I am going to into his arms. "What a terrible turn about, Jack," said Mrs. Feltham de turn her out of Chertson, going to deyou've given us. You wicked, thought- spairingly. "Oh, I forgot! We haven't prive her of Chalfont's money. Why, "I see," said Jack, though he was less boy! And what's that?" she told you. Jack, Nora's found the I don't believe she's got a penny! And it belongs to her by right; there was "The will? What will?" he demand- trouble between Chalfont and her father: a debt which Chalfont was "What's that? Oh, you mean this "The right one, the proper one," only paying when he left Chertson to scratch! It's nothing, my dear Ma- said Mrs. Feltham. "There was a fire her. Look here, Mabel; you'll have to vented her following us. She must be bel; a little set-to with poor Fleming. in the den, and Nora found it behind talk to her. I swear I won't take a terribly frightened. We'd better go to Poor chap! I'm afraid it's our last the safe. It leaves everything to you. penny of this money! I'd rather go

There was a pause. Jack ought to good-bye first. You go on towards the have looked delighted; but there was quay; I'll follow you in a minute or

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