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The sweet blush roses hang their heads, Heavy and dripping with rain; A butterfly trails the limp, white wings He never will use again.

The long lush grass, with foam-like fringe, Lies tangled on the ground, And the rain's sad, deadening spell has hushed Each tiny insect sound. And shadows dim up-piled, And out of the darkness and sadness rings The laugh of a little child.

A WOMAN'S WIT.

Well, good-by, old fellow. Enjoy yourself and don't lose your heart to the "Good-by, Ted, dear. Please write to me as often as you can. With Ralph away as well as you I shall be rather

The speakers were my friend Ralph Shirley, head clerk at Messrs. Carter's bank, a careworn man of five and forty, with grizzled hair and a pre-occupied expression, and his pretty little step sister Kate, aged 24, my affianced wife. The time was 10 o'clock on an August morning; the place, Charing Cross sta-tion, the departure platform of the Folkestone train, in which I, Edward Pierrepoint, aged twenty-five, was seat-

ed, on my way to enjoy my brief holi-day at the "beautiful Boolong; the place for the stranger who's done something In this case, however, I myself had done nothing wrong, although at the moment I was a good deal troubled concerning the wrong-doing of others.

Two nights before Ralph had communicated to me, under oath of secrecy, a very startling piece of informa-tion. A certain fast young nobleman, the marquis of ——, had more than a year ago, procured from Messrs. Car-

ter's bank an advance of twenty-five

thousand pounds, upon the security of

certain famous pearls, which he had inherited from his mother, a Russian The pearls were reputed to be worth fifty thousand, and were duly lodged in Messrs. Carter's strong room, with every possible precaution. Within the past fortnight, however, it had come to the knowledge of Messrs. Carter that, by an extraordinary exercise of in-genuity and cunning the locks of the strong room and safes had been tamper-

ed with, and a portion of the jewelry, amounting to between fifteen and twenty thousand pounds, had disap-The loss was not, so far, known to the remainder of the staff. But Ralph Shirley, who had entered the bank as a boy, and had grown gray in its service, was admitted into the secrets of the firm. I had for three years lodged in Ralph's

service. He was even somewhat said pained at my determination, in the face of such news, to take my annual holiday as though nothing had happened.

He himself was going down to Someria in order to make lock and thrust her telegram under the door.

was a very pretty girl, with trustful brown eyes and a good figure; but her frocks did not fit her properly, and she had no conversation; and I, a foolish young fellow with extravagant tastes and a liking for French novels, now and then told myself that, although my fiance was a dear girl and much attached to me, she was far from being my ideal of womanhood.

Just as the train was about to steam out of the station, the door opened suddenly to admit of a young widow, whose face was completely hidden by her black crape veil. I had hardly time to notice her before the train was in mo

to notice her before the train was in mo tion, and after a hurried kiss to Kate and

a deep drawn sigh from my companion drew my attention to her. She had raised her veil, and was staring out of the window with a look of pensive sadness, which, in one so beautiful, went attribute to my heart.

esting on that account. She lcoked like the heroine of a three volume novel of a mountain or hears a lion roar. the heroine of a three volume novel of the "intense" order. Her hair, under her very becoming widow's bonnet, was of a peculiar bright auburn; her eyes were gray and singularly brilliant, her lashes long and jetty black. Her complexion was extremely pale and transparent, and her voice, as she asked me presently whether I minded having the window down, completed my subjection. It was a most delicious voice; of a particularly caressing quality that at once any head is. ularly caressing quality that at once appealed to the softest side of a young

man's nature.

Poor thing! Her tale was a sad one, as I soon learned. Left a widow six months ago by the sudden death of her husband, a hard-working East End curate, she was now on her way to Paris, in are, sne was now on her way order to take a position as governess to a wealthy French family, acquaintances

of the Rothschilds.

How different from Kate, who had never read anything stronger than "East Lynne," and thought "Cada" "rather dreadful!"

Stella Dale realized my ideal of womanhood. The interest she took in me week. was extraordinary. She seemed never tired of asking me the minutest questions as to how I spent my time, who were my chief companions, etc. As an excuse for her curiosity she owned, with modest tenderness, that I had inspired in her a very deep interest. She wished, she playfully told me, being several years older than I, to be my Lady Con-fessor, and she very speedily got out of me all that there was to tell, with which, however, she seemed hardly satisfied. "I want your fullest confidence, dear

time, like myself, she stayed at the Hotel de Suede. On the first day of my arrival I rethe heart with a revolver the other day. ceived a terrible shock. Stella had re-tired to her room with a headache, and I was wandering about the boulevards when my attention was attracted by Saturday will amount to \$3,500,000.

the occupants of a very handsome and well-turned out carriago, drawn by a splendid pair of English grays. The lady inside, lesining back against embroidered cushions, and elaborately overdressed was both handsome and wicked looking, a well-known operation bouffer singer, the bystanders said, noted for her extravagance and dissipated manner of life. But the and, 1 companion—the faultlessly dressed, haggard looking man, with white worried face, mad eyes and grizzled

hair?
Could my eyesight be playing me false, or was it indeed Messrs. Carter's trusted head clerk, my friend and future brother-in-law, Ralph Shirley?

Any doubt I may have had on the subjectives dispelled by the look upon his face when his eyes fell upon me. He turned first red and then ghastly pale, and looked furtively away in a haunted, terrified manner.

terrified manner. I hailed a cab and followed the carriage. It stopped before one of the largest and most expensive hotels in Paris. I jumped out and laid my hand "Ralph," I said, quietly, "I must

speak to you."

He looked at me vacantly for a mo-"The game's up then, I suppose," he said, and led me without a word more

"Don't tell Kate," he said, "and don't ask me what made me do it. It was coming on for a whole year—that feeling that the pearls were there, doing nobody any good, and that I knew how to get at them. No one suspected me I've led a dog's life of dreary routing and tremendous responsibility for five and twenty years. I've got heart disease. I know it, and I told myself I wanted just once to know what life, as they call it, was like before I was snuffed out like a candle. Well, it's a miserable failure, Ted. Money, luxury, gay society, as it's called-I've had a weel of it all; I don't want any more. Do I repent? No, why should I? I wasn't going out of the world without knowing something about it. Wait; I'll give you the rest of the pearls and the address of the places where the others wer taken. Also my confession. I prepare that beforehand, lest this heart trouble should take me off. It's addressed to Mr. Samuel Carter and sealed. Now, take these things, go back to your hotel

and call here again to see me at six this evening. You needn't fear that I shall have bolted. You'll find me right enough. Good-by, and keep your promise to Kata." mise to Kate." I knew quite well that I should no see him alive again. I was utterly dum founded at what I had seen and heard With the precious bag in my hands returned to the Hotel de Suede, passed quickly upstairs to my own room opened the door-and found Stella Dale on hor knees on the floor, busily engaged in ransacking my portmanteau, which is had left securely locked, and the con

She looked up with a little cry as I entered and then fled to her own room. house at Clapham, and as his closes, friend and his stepsister's future husband, Ralph had, somewhat unwisely band, Ralph had, somewhat unwisely form, already addressed to one of the best-known London detective agencies. of the pearls to me.

The shock had affected him strongly. He considered the honor of the bank as his own, as was but natural after his long service. He was even somewhat shocked and pained at my determination, in the face of such news, to take my annual holiday as though nothing had han holiday as though nothing had han.

Messrs. Carter had reason to suspect the hotel after settling my bill, and of trifling acts of dishonesty. of trifling acts of dishonesty.

Of all this Kate knew not a word. She was a very pretty girl, with trustful of trifling acts of dishonesty.

He las, the proprietor, informed me my friend had, in my absence, taken

handshake with her brother, I settled myself into a corner of the compartment to read Guy de Maupassant's "Bel regularly attend Sunday school. Ami." Some water taken from the sacred well at Mecca when analyed recently

For she was beautiful: thin almost | Never did any harm, ch? Well, neither to emaciation, and perhaps, from a wo-man's point of view, past her first, her very first, youth, but all the more inter-Love never turns back because it see

head is. The sun will keep right on shining no matter how much we may talk about its black spots. It is right for charity to begin at home but she has not done her duty until she has gone all over the world, -R m's Horn.

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