

Love That Knew No Bounds.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

"Oh, I would not, indeed," cried Sydney, shrinking from intrusion. "I you think this will not be wanted fo ten days more, I will be gone befor it is dismantled."

With that last word her voice quiv ered. It was difficult calmly to dis cuss these last relics of her father dear old Jacob's treasures, being dis

"Ah, I'll answer now," said Mis. Ambler. "You'd like a little some thing out of here as a keepsake like of poor Mr. Cheene, wouldn't you miss? Now, if you'd choose anything I'd see it was bought for you if the things are sold."

She had no storing place for aught Her very capital she would not coun small, indeed," she said, looking round. "This, if I could have it," takfrom the office at Stuart's. Jacob had

"Then that I'll get for you, miss," dust off the cover. "Ah, deary me he always wrote upon it. I saw him

Sydney turned the much-blotted pages over. A sheet with some three written lines slipped out. The words

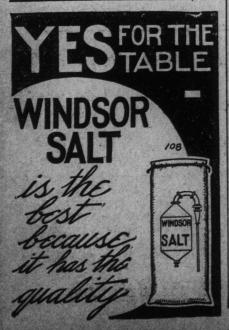
"My own dear Miss Sydney .- I told you once pleasure never killed: bu

soon for your holiday, and then-" That was all. Sydney folded the uncompleted message with reverent

that no knowledge of her new troubles had dimmed the gladness of his

last hours. "Yes, the old case I shall like best," she said, and Miss Ambler. delighted at securing her pale lodger's interest for anything, talked freely on of Jacob and his great kind-"which nobody, Miss Grey, knew the value of better than myself

here, then?" Sydney asked. "Had



"Relative, no miss. There were a any Cheenes once in Stillcote, but nuch to attend to; but a stranger, I hink, will manage that little."

"No, miss. But there was one who ame to him first last year-later on than this. He was in and out, and they did a deal of consulting like for a day or two, what about Mr. Cheene never said. Then he came again since this Easter. And Mr. Cheene must have expected him then, for he'd got a neighbor to step in, and by the oth did; and Mr. Cheene locked it side his bed, and said to me, 'There now, it's ready for you to find;' and that gentleman will be his executor." "But should you not send this per-

son word?" questioned Sydney, and was answered truly enough. "When things come so sudden, miss, we are never ready for them! I had never I've a notion the letter that brought good news that morning came from are stopping at this door! Don't you mind, nor flurry yourself, miss. I'll

But Miss Ambler was not quick nough. As she opened the door, two people entered from the narrow landng. In an instant three were gazing it one another, all doubting the evi-

"Miss Alwyn!" exclaimed the male ntruder. It was Richard Drayton.

"Sydney! Oh my poor Sydney! catch the wonder-struck girl in her ite was chaos to them all.

The first to find voice was Miss

Ambler. Her wiry little curls were pobbing about, her eyelids ominously ed, and her sniffs were frequent; but sentiment must wait its turn, now she must out with a long stifled say: ng Sydney, still on Mary's shoulder. Yes, and Miss Alwyn I knew you to But when Bridget Lewis, that lived nce at Stuart's, still-room maid, and



ou'll surely get it! While"-ended he grateful old soul, suddenly clapoing three golden coins on the table-'as for that money there! I'm proud to have found you with the bird's beakful you've taken, and if I touch penny-piece for payment my name's not Amelia Ambler!"

With which she seized her neglected dinner-tray and whipped out of the room, leaving the long-separated riends to an afternoon of strange, far-reaching explanations, starting with Mary's marriage, ending with something still more wonderful. For Sydney finding this fortnight-wed pair possessed the secret of her leaving St. Clair, was now forced to tell where and with whom her past twelve months had been spent, and what had east her loose from Wynstone, sending her to meet at Stillcote-Upton a oss she was so ill-prepared for.

when I read you his will, he has left you everything he had in the world." "All my father's things?" cried Sydney. "Oh, dear old Jacob! If you could hear me thank you!"

"Yes, Miss Alwyn; these, and other

Sydney, laying her hand with a longdrawn sigh on Mary's knee, "I think scarcely want to know any more

"Just five minutes," pressed Mr. Drayton, his wife giving him leave by nod. "Best clear all up at once and get it over. So, to go to first facts, I had a glimmering when

who spent a night each week violin playing, with some one so called-

"My father!" "As it turns out, yes. You and never seemed strangers, did we. Miss

REE TO ALL SUFFERERS

"Yes, for it was the same Granylde mine your father had got ruin-His name headed the old list of share-holders. If you, as his representative, had held the original shares our leave as largest proprietor was equired to reforming the business. vas after. He saved me a fruitless ourney, by telling me those same shares had been offered at your father's sale, and amid shouts of laughter had been purchased by a clerk named Cheene. Him I foraged up forthwith. Showed him every single detail I had worked out, and to cut short a long business, which would only puzzle you at present, got his consent and that of the other remaining share-holders, to start the company afresh on a safe footing, myself holding a certain amount of stock. and acting as manager. Success has followed so fast that the shares have gone up without one check, and are still rising. I was able to tell Mr. Cheene, when I saw his last May, that his few shillings' worth of scrip, which he almost saved from the flames, represented now a very respectable fortune. It would bring in, if realized, five-and-twenty thousand pounds to-morrow, Miss Alwyn."

"So, no more companions' places for you, foolish, reckless child that you were," said Mary, stooping fond-Mr. Drayton wisely left this newmade heiress awhile, almost mute in

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