Continued from 1st Page. have all and through all the beautiful

Holbrook did, when he answered his own awakening by saying: "Her face knows." haunts me as a beautiful picture I some-

upon him was very pleasant.

They had waited for him anxiously, and they were deeply interested in the smallest detail of the business he had undertaken for them. They hung upon his words as if he were to bring them dertaken for them. They hung upon his words as if he were to bring them

"My first step," he said, "will be to take out letters of administration for Mrs. Templeton, and this done we can take possession of all your brother's af-

He explained to them that the proceedings were likely to be long delayed and vexatious, and it was not long before he found himself installed not only as legal unsel, but as adviser upon all points in family matters.

family matters.

It was very agreeable to him, to be the recipient of all the little confidences as to family details, cost of living, the ways and means—and he, who for twelve years had lived a backelor life, found domestic considerations highly interesting agreefully when presided over teresting, especially when presided over-by a beautiful girl who paid special def-

erence to his own wisdom.

It was agreed that they should return to their home in Plainfield the following day, and set it in order for a prolonged

would be at less expense than a hotel and secure greater comforts.

He did not tell them of the suspicions entertained by Tom Bryan and himself, for, in truth, he would have found it difficult to have presented them in an intelligible manner, if he had thought it

them that a series of inquiries had been instituted, but that as yet it was impossible to say anything as to the result. Finally he drew away from the sub-ject in which the two ladies were so

much interested, and directed their thoughts to other channels. Thus he induced them to lay aside their sorrows for a time, until the hours passed so rap-idly that the clock pointed 11 before he was aware it was so late. He was more and more pleased with

the character of Annie Templeton, her artlessness and sincerity and her charms

girl with whom, through accident appar ently, he stood in closer relation than any other man, and he grew very tender

CHAPTER XVII. ON A NEWPORT VERANDA.



neighbors it is small.

Thus she sits when Fountain, newly (sition." arrayed, rejoins her. He says gayly:
"You perceive how obedient I am.
You command and I am here."

She looks at him gloomily and says she is glad to see him. "I should only know it," he retorts, "by your saying so, ma belle."

She looks at him angrily as she re-

"You can be very gay under all the circumstances. Is the distance from New York so great that you feel perfectly at ease here?"

He looks down upon her somewhat

puzzled, for he is standing in front of her. He draws a chair closer to her and sits down very deliberately.
"Flora," he says slowly. but gazing at her steadily, "your moods are inexplica-ble. For the past three weeks I have not understood you. When I saw you last in New York you were nervousness personified, and you treated me at times with disdain, and sometimes I imagined positively with aversion. Then comes your imperative summons to come hith- mean about Holbrook? What does he

"You have then observed my conduct?" she returns, with an expression of duct?" she returns, with an expression of contempt as she looks over the water.

"Hello," said Fountain, "you're new about here. Has Mr. Witherspoon "Can you find no reason for it?" "Upon my word I cannot. If you have fault to find with me speak out, tinuing his work.

and don't resort to innuendo.' "Innuendo," she repeats, with fine scorn in her tones. "Harry Fountain, are you a hypocrite, or the coldest blooded man who lives?"

consult a physician." nsult a physician."

As rountain turned into another purpling "Don't treat me as if I were a child," the gardener watched him disappear she answers, passionately, "I am entitled to your confidence if to nothing else. Does not your conscience reproach you, or have you notice?"

"The charge of withholding confidence"

the gardener watched him disappear from view, then tossed his pruning shears into the bush, and saying, "I've heard all I want to know," fled rapidly in the opposite direction.

from you comes with but ill grace Flora," he said sternly. "I jeopardized my chances of peace, comfort and happiness in this world in order that I might give you my confidence. You hold every secret of my life—you know that or me which no other person in this world

Fountain did not find another chance

or confidential conversation with Flora

Late in the evening he did find an op-

informed about something, evidently.

I'm yours, and I cast all consideration

"Shall I be able to see you alone to-

"To-morrow night," she said in alarm "Yes, I must. It is very important."

"Is it that enterprise we talked of?"
"No—it is not that which calls me

"Promise me you will keep out of the

"We have not been in the habit of

"But promise me faithfully you will

"I do not understand you, neither do fear him, but I will promise you."

Upon this they parted, she retiring for

the night.

Dick Witherspoon persuaded Fountain

to walk out for a smoke, and they shortly

found themselves at a resort much fre-

"Hello!" said Dick Witherspoon, "there

is Tom Bryan; what under the sun brings

"Who is Tom Bryan?" asked Four

The two joined the party and were

venture, in which figured persons known

to fame, and which was eliciting much

During its recital Tom placed both el-

bows upon the table, holding his hands

Fountain looked curiously at the buttons

They were the ones Holbrook had given

To draw his attention to them was

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Bryan, I am

"I never saw but one pair like them,

present from an Italian, so he told me."
"Yes?" said Tom, dumfounded by the

coolness displayed by Fountain. "These

a friend for whom once it lay in my power

loath to give it up so, and consequently he dexterously turned the conversation

to New York matters, and then watching Fountain so that he could observe

every shade of expression, he suddenly

Templeton's murderer.'

"I have been given a hint from head

Fountain's face never flinched, and an

expression of mild curiosity only arose

upon it. "Indeed, hope they may catch the

As extraordinary as was the comma

times, it is to be feared that astonishment, if not disappointment, was visible for a moment. However, Fountain had

ing expression on Tom's face.
"How long do you stay, Fountain?"

"I return 10-morrow night," was the "And I to-morrow morning." inter posed Tom airily. "And as I have to get off at an unconscionably early hour, 1 shall retire from this enchanting scen of vice, flee the temptation of your se

turned to the others as he prono these words, and did not notice the fleet-

cane on the stones and said aloud:

"Well, he beats the deck for coolness and self possession. I expected to carry him by a coup de grace, but not a tremor,

by Jove! He is a man of nerve. How

ever, my trip, as much by good luck as

by tact, has not been unfruitful. One or two more turns of the coil and I've got him." After a moment's silence: "Hang it, I'm growing frightfully stupid. Why in the name of common sense

didn't I ask him who it was who owned the buttons? If there was a convenient

stone wall here I'd butt my head agains

it to see if it has turned soft. However,

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forward and said:

warmly greeted, while Fountain was presented to Tom. Tom was telling a rattling story of ad-

seek every way rather than meet him

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clusive watering place.

one of the most amusing.".

sitting at a table.

sight of Holbrook. Promise me you will

morrow? I must go back to New York

that night again.

to-morrow night.

portunity to say to her:

"Except one-except one," she cried times see will linger with me for days." passionately, leaping to her feet and
The ladies met him in the public parstriding up and down the veranda. "Exlor of the hotel. They welcomed him as a highly prized friend, and the trust which they fairly threw themselves my own life and honor, though it seems

He stopped her as she passed him, and forced her to sit down. "I do not know what you refer to," he replied. "From the time I confessed my love for you I have concealed nothing from you I considered important, or which could or ought to affect our relations, even remotely "Oh, indeed! Have I had a record of your daily life?"

"We have not been i

"No, you have not, nor will I give it you. The number of cigars I smoke, the glasses of wine I drink, the passages of the daily life of a young man of leisure, permissible in a bachelor, if to be con-demned in a benedict, I have not given, nor will I give; nor would any broad minded girl, such as I have regarded you until the past three weeks, demand "Passages in the life of a young man

of leisure-such, for instance, as strange disguises at late hours of night."
He flushed a dull red through his dark

"You do not know," she repeated scornfully, and then, lifting her hands before her face as she clasped them so tightly as to fairly pain her, she cried in tain. agonized tones, "I cannot, I cannot bring myself to speak of it to him. My God, Vork, and the best of fellows, as well as

can I not hate him? must I go on loving him in spite of myself?" He watched her, strongly moved him-self, showing anger and alarm. He muttered, "Some one has discovered it and betrayed me to her;" finally he said with

forced calmness:
"I cannot tell what possesses you. I presume in your own good time you will inform me what it is, when I can defend be charged against me.
"When I confessed my love for you,"

he continued, "I told you that I did not have the fortune rumor credited me with; They were the ones H that it was nearly exhausted. When I made that discovery which shocked and That night he sat long in his room at the open window over his cigam, his thoughts busy with the charming young leading to the I was illegitimate,
"When I made the further discovery

that by an effort I might receive a fortune, but involved in the effort might possibly be the exposure of my illegitimacy, I came to you with it and you that I should like to make an inquiry." bade me make the effort, promising to "Pardon is granted, for I am rather face the world with me, saying you had fond of these buttons. They are rare, no property and we would fight to-gether. and as a poor devil of a newspaper man dosen't often mount valuable jewelry,

"These are the great events of my life. Is the aversion with which you them." have seemed to regard me recently due to my illegitimacy? If it is, let me say, as I once said to you before—you can be free. I am too proud in my degradation tons were of Florentine manufacture to hold you against your most slightly expressed wish, though it broke my heart to release you."

my friend having had a diamond inserted in them. They had belonged to his grandfather, who received them as a

"It is not that; it is not that."
"Is it," he pursued, "that we are both poor, and you have finally concluded you | buttons were given me by a gentleman-"It is not that; it is not that," she re-

and well along the | "No, I could hardly believe it was, for drive, stands a they are to both of us now old stories, cottage, which elsewhere might be called and we have grown accustomed to them. Things are not worse for me, they are better. Providence has removed Tembetter. Providence has removed Tembetter. nsion, yet as compared with its Things are not worse for me, they are

and we have grown accustomed to them.

It has many angles, short towers and high ones; many gables, curious windows, like eyes, in long sloping roofs—a recessed balcony here, and verandas cropping out there, in unexpected places, and a jumble of corners, projections and angles, yet all orderly, harmonious and artistic.

On the veranda which adjoins the porte cochere, a young lady paces up and down with evident impatience. The sun, slowly sinking into the west, sends its rays shooting under the roof of the veranda and lights up with golden gleams the shining hair of Flora Ashgrove.

The house is the summer residence of Robert Witherspoon, and therefore the summer home of the lady.

The roll of carriage wheels in the distance attracts her attention, and she leans over the railing.

The carriage turning into sight, she views it with great expectancy plainly manifest on her beautiful face.

In a moment more she is enabled to ascertain its occupant, and as she does so a smile of relief wreathes itself about her roll of carriage draws up at the steps and the occupant who alights is—

Harry Fountain.

She greets him with suppressed joy.

She whirled upon him, her face picturing the greatest alarm.

"On Henry Holbrook? Are you mad? That man would hang you if he could. Great heavens! It was to take you from the possibility of meeting that man that I called you here. Do you know that Holbrook saw the nurderer of Templeton escape into the park?"

She had grasped him by the shoulders and have called on a lawyer, Henry Holbrook? Are you mad? That man would hang you if he could. Great heavens! It was to take you from the possibility of meeting that man that I called you here. Do you know that I called you here. Do you know that I called you here. Do you know that I called you here. The you know that I called you here. The young had you would get, immediately, a fashionable audience."

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Harry Fountain.

She greets him with sup

she relapses into a deep study.

The thoughts she indulges are evidently not pleasant, for she frowns and her face is dark.

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The it is a scene of my own composition.

CHAPTER XVIII.



that photograph ought to be ready by the time I get back to New York, and then for the identification. By St. "What infernal scoundrel can George, the work goes bravely on! Sc I'll to bed." have told her?" he muttered to himself. "How could she have found out? And the disguise, too? But who could have supposed she would have shown such passion, such resentone of those things a woman

er, disregarding as nothing my reasons for remaining in New York. Now, tell me, what is the meaning of your strange. A turn in the path brought him face to face with a man who was trimming

changed his gardener?"
"Yes, sir," replied the man, still con-

"How long ago?" "About three weeks now, sir." The man spoke with a strong Scotch accent.
"I had not heard of it," said Fountain, indifferently, as he turned away.

"I do not think you are well," he reilles. "I shall advise your uncle to down over a bush. As Fountain turned into another path GENERAL BUSINESS.

"If you will formulate your charges against me, I will try to meet them to our satisfaction. You have been mis-CASTORIA "No." she replied in a low tone, placing great restraint upon herself, "never shall I revert to the matter again; I have thought it over, and accept the consequences. I love you too deeply, though I hate myself for it, but

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"Possibly," replied Tom. Tom had expected to disconcert Foun-Steam and Water Pipe Tees, Elbows, Reducers, rected attention to them.

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