

stupidly enough ; but I knew not what e
“ You know, you said—long ago, when
came here—you said you always loved an a

“ Yes,” he said simply, his eyes fixed on
I do.”

“ Why ? ” I asked, though I knew it w
foolish question.

He stood a long time silent in the fireligh
never moving from my face. “ Because it
heaven,” he answered low ; “ come, Hel
his arms were open wide.

THE END