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Saved From the Sea

and flushing hotly. "With you by me I could, I would strive with double strength; the incentive would still be there to fight for your called."

unworthy, so lost—a gambler, and the demon is in me, brain, and body, and soul, past casting out, I fear!"
"Never! That were to doubt Heaven and the redemption," said Christine, strongly. "You are not utterly unworthy, not lost, not wholly given over to this demon of play, else I had not loved you as I do. There is gold under all the dross, and it is that which I found out and loved you for. You can strive, and you will, if it is but the smallest, most trifling step at first—a stake lowered instead of raise, the tables deserted an hour sooner than usual, and with each slight victory the next grows less hard to win. You will be tempted and yield often, fall back a hundred times, maddened by loss or spurred on by success, the more because you say to yourself, I live by it. I must play—ay, in the gayest excitement that you despise even while you crave its false glamor. You will forget your Christine, and then be wild with remorse afterward that you have fallen back. You see, I see all and spare not the knife; but then, in your darkest hours, husband, see me or write to me; but never—never fear for shame's sake to face me—a noor mortal like.

surprise.

"It is a roll of notes." he said, quietly "two hundred pounds. I want you to take it and use it; it's far better in your hands than mina."

"But. Falconer, I don't understand, she said, a little hurriedly, her color rising painfully. "I don't want money."

"Whether you do or not, sweetheart, you can take it from your husband; it is not money won at the gaming table of the race coarse. It is a present Uncie Will would give me when he came up, and I told him it should be well spent; so take it; it's what I meant when I spoke."

"No, no, Falc, take it back; indeal to the property of the prop

"No, no, Falc, take it back; indeed I don't want money, and—you may."

He put her hand back, half smiling, but coloring as he said:

"I do not—keep it, child; it will only go perhaps in that accursed play if I have it; keep it safe—so." He took it from her hand and put it into the bosom of her dress. "Use it, dearest if only." "Use it, dearest, if only

"Winch nothing can louen, St. Main said, hoarsely; "nothing can lessen my worshipping love, my deep reverence. You are my wife, whatever the outward seeming."

Tenderly, caressingly putting back the dark, wavy locks from his brow with her free hand, he held the other fast, Christine answering steadily:

"Yes, and because I keep the honor of that name unstained by a breath, I hold your love in strength and purity undimmed. But if I now deliberately put the honor of my wifehood unler yours and the world's feet—"

"Christine—"

"Rush! hear me—and whether in retirement, or, as before, in the vortex of an equivocal society, live with you practically as less than your wife, you would gradually, insensibly, but only too surely, change to me; the reverence of your love would be dimmed, then both slowly, subtlely, lessen and change, till the first were well-nigh replaced by half-despising and the latter almost sink to the character worthy only of what I seemed; for as I, the woman, sunk, so surely would you, the man. In your heart you know I am right; but if I am stabbing you, it is with a two-edged sword that pierces my own breast, too."

"I know it," he whispered, brokenly—"

to England shipped aboarc the Red Star liner Undine, as stewardess; we had a terribly bad passage, and in the Chan the cluster were been in: the fire's were swamped out, the steering-gear damaged, and we drove helplessly on to a lee shore. The skipper and I and four men were the last to leave the vessel in the give heer in: the fire's were swamped out, the steering-gear damaged, and we drove helplessly on to a lee shore. The skipper and I and four men were the last to leave the vessel in the give heer in: the fire's were swamped out, the steering-gear damaged, and we drove helplessly on to a lee shore. The skipper and I and four men were the last to leave the vessel in the give heer in: the fire's were swamped out, the steering-gear damaged, and we drove helplessly on to a lee shore. The skipper and I and four men were the last the save and we dr

Nor was he less moved, but held her

Nor was he less moved, but need ner folded in his arms, each soul living over again that awful night of peril; he, perhaps, with the inward cry:

"Oh, if I had but known it then! I had won you back—all mine!"

Yet he spoke first, almost in a whis-

over again!--if I could only blot out the past!"

How often has that vain cry of an

could have listened forever the sweet music of that low, tende

treatment of Mr. Orde—"
"Let me spare you, darling." interrupted St. Maur, quickly. "Uncle Will
told me early this morning as we drove
home. I had not known before how
cruelly she had deeived him—how bad
it had all been—and I can scarcely
wonder at his implacability. My dear.
I fear he will never releat unless by
almost a miracle; the more that now,
unhappily, he has taken a fancy to
Blanche Leroy as a prospective niece-inlaw. I could laugh at the comedy of
the idea—I, married so long—if it did
not vex; the only use of the notion is,
that I can make use of it to see more
of you under cover of a careless flirtaof you under cover of a careless flirta tion with that little flirt."

"Oh, Falconer, Falconer,"
"My Saint Christine!" he whispered, laying his cheek against hers with a kind of passionate tenderness, "for your dear sake I will strive, even at this eleventh hour, to be at least less reckless at play—I dare not promise more, my dear wife."
"And your wife asks no more," she answered, gently.

For some minutes neither spoke nor more of this least reckles and the saint of the sa (she is not indifferent to that), and she

to be asking too much about me wouldnt hear enough to my advantage If I judge him right, I should not have

pose you would if I had said, 'No-wait,' myself. See how late it is: I must go, dear Falconer.".

"No, no; not yet. Ah, don't leave me vet—ti is hard, so cruel to part—for both," he pleaded, his beautiful eyes more eloquent even than his golden tongue. "One short half hour more, wife, and I will let you go without a word."

resisted him? resisted him? She stayed the full half hour, and then he took her into his arms and their lips met with one accord that "sweet sorrow"—the close, part

cmbrace, the long, parting kiss.

Then at last the man released her, and summoned the Indian to escort her

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schools is a little mite of a teacher lic schools is a little mite of a teacher who has a mighty way of preserving discipline. Her pupils being unmindful of all injunctions barring the use of chewing gum during school hours, the instructress determined to make a horrible example of a couple of the most willful boys. She turning aside, "this is bitter punishment indeed, deeply grateful though I must be to the man who was so blessed. Go on: tell me how it was."

It is hand was gripping hers with a force he was scarcely conscious of; his other he kept half shading his eyes. Her very first words made him start and catch his breath: but he controlled himself instantly with a strong effort.

"I was shipwrecked in the last and wildest of the Sentember gales. I had been stranded in New York, and to get

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

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Niagara Falls, New York—*2.27 a.m., *5.57 a.m., *12.05 a.m., *10.05 a.m., *5.57 a.m., *17.05 a.m., *17.05 p.m.

St. Catharines, Niagara Fails, Buffalo—*5.57 a.m., *17.05 p.m.

St. Catharines, Niagara Fails, Buffalo—*5.57 a.m., *10.05 a.m., *10.05 a.m., *11.20 a.m., *10.05 a.m., *11.20 a.m., *10.05 a.m., *11.20 a.m., *12.20 p.m., *2.20 p.m., *2.2

CANADIAN FACIFIC RAILWAY.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.
7.47 a. m. for Toronto, Lindsay, Bobcaygeod, Tweed, Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal,
Quebec, Sherbrooke, St. John, N.B., Halifax, N.S., also for Aliston, Coldwater and
Bala, and all points in the Marilime Provlaces and New England States.
8.53 a. m. for Toronto,
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Lindsay, Bobcaygeon, Pelerboro, Tweed,
Brampton, Fergus, Elora, Orangeville, Owen
Sound, Arthur, Mount Forest, Harriston,
Wingham, Coldwater and immediate stations.

tions.
5.03 p. m. for Toronto.
8.15 p. m. for Toronto. Peterboro. Ottawa.
Montreal, Quebec. Sherbrooke. Portland and
Boaton, also for Alliston, Coldwater.
Bair,
Parry Sound, Sudbury. Sault Ste. Marie. Fort
William, Winnipeg. Canadian Northwest,
Kootensy and British Columbia points.
Trains leave Toronto 7.50 a. m., (daily).
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p. m., (daily), 7.10 p. m., 11.10 p. m.

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HAMILTON & DUNDAS RAILWAY. Terminal Station—*6.15, *7.15, 8.15, 9.13, 10.15, 11.15 a.m., 12.15, 1.17, 2.15, 3.15, 4.15, 5.15 c.15, 7.15, 8.16, 9.15, 10.15, 11.15 p.m. Leave Hatt St. Station, Dundas—*6.00, *6.15, e.71.5, 8.65, 9.15, 10.15, 1.115 a.m., 12.15, 1.15, 2.15, 3.15, 4.15, 5.15, 5.15, 7.15, 8.15, 9.15, 10.15, *11.15 p.m. *1

HAMILTON RADIAL ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

Hamilton to Burlington and Oakville—*6.10. *7.10. 8.10. 9.10. 10.10. 11.10 a. m., 12.10. 1.10. 210. 3.10. 4.10. 5.10. 6.10, 7.10. 8.10. 9.10. 10.10. 8.10. 10.10. 8.10. 9.10. 10.10. 10.10. 10.10. 10.10. 8.00. 9.00. 10.00. 11.00. 11.00. 12.00 a. m., 1.00. 2.00. 3.00. 4.00. 5.00. 6.00. 7.00. 8.00. 9.00 10.00. *11.00, 12.00 a. m., 1.00. 2.00. 3.00. 4.00. 5.00. 6.00. 7.00. 8.00. 9.00 10.00. *11.00, 12.00 a. m. n. m. 01x10 a. m., 12.30, 130, 230, 330, 4.30, 5.30, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 9.30, *10.30, 11.30, *12.30, *Daily, except Sunday.

BRANTFORD & HAMILTON RAIL WAY

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HAMILTON, GRIMSBY & BEAMS-VILLE ELECTRIC RAILWAY.

Leave Hamilton-46.10, *7.10, *8.10, 9.10, 10.10, 11.10 a.m., *12.10, 1.10, 2.10, 3.10, 4.10, 5.10, 6.10, 7.10, 8.10, 9.10, *10.10, *11.10 p. m.

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Oscar Copp, who is separated from his day charged with taking Mrs. Copp's money for dissipation. oney for dissipation.
"Where do you work?" asked the

judge.
"I've been working in the wheat fields of Kansas."
"Do they head the wheat or bind it out there?"
"The bind some but head most of

They bind some, but head most of "When does headed wheat go through the sweat

In the stack.

When does shocked wheat go through the sweat?"

the sweat?"

"After it is threshed."

"Which end of a horse and which end of a cow gets up first?"

"The forequarters of a horse and the hindquarters of a cow."

"You've worked on a farm, I see. Go back to work and leave your wife alone."—From the Kansas City Times.

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ings to be reached. One woman has a wide painter's brush which she uses in

wide painter's brush which she uses in dusting doors whre there is a good deal of paneling.

If the curtain or porticre pole is rubbed with hard soap before the draperies are put over it, the draperies will slip easily.

Stale macaroons, which can be bought cheanly at the balon, which can be bought.

cheaply at the baker's, make the tastiest addition to custards and puddings if pul-

addition to custards and puddings if pul-verized and sprinkled over the top.

Lamb's liver, which is very delicate
and not so much used as it deserves, is
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may also be broiled or fried. A tasty
cmelet is made by boiling the liver tender, cutting it in dice, cooking it for-two
or three minutes in a tablespoonful of
butter adding a little water, or stock. or three minutes in a tablespoontial of butter, adding a little water, or stock, a few capers, a little minced green pepper, a minced olive or two, seasoning of paprika, and turning it over the pisin omelet after it is put on the platter, but before it is folded.

Hoax-The widow is entitled to her

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and just what did not. It cleared up everything in short order.

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what came down from parent to child,

The Prussian State Railway Departare also being carried out with a petrol-electric locomotive.

my own breast, too."
"I know it," he whispered, brokenly— "I know it," he whispered, brokenly—
"my worshipped wife, I know it!"
Still the soft fingers touched his brow
as the mellow tones, deep with intense,
suppressed feeling, went on:
"Moreover, if I yield to you you would
gain your object without striking a blow
for it, get possesion without paying the
price for it; and the one, the strongest
incentive to warfare against your bitter
enemy and mine, would be gone."
"No, no!" Falconer broke in, eagerly,
and flushing hotly. "With you by me I

could, I would strive with double strength; the incentive would still be there to fight for your sake."

"I know you better than you do yourself, Falcaner, and the hold the crucl vice has gained. You would have grasped the prize—myself—and, insensibly, you would give back in the battle, and you will recognize the truth of this when you can face it unblinded by the passionate yearning to have me back at any price. Ah, husband! it is quite as hard for me to refuse to return as for you to be refused; but you will lay lance in rest, however lightly at first, just for my sake, if for no higher aim yet."

"Christine—Christine, how can such a woman as you love me still? so utterly unworthy, so lost—a gambler, and the demon is in me, brain, and body, and soul, past casting out, I fear!"

"Never! That were to doubt Haven."

some minutes neither spoke nor till Falconer suddenly remember-bank-notes. He drew forth the

"No, no, Falc, take it back; indeed I

"Ah, Fale, you have not forgotten your persuasive arts."

your persuasive arts."

"And you, sweetheart, never needed any at all," he said, smiling down on the beautiful face. "But tell me now of gourself since we-since your Aunt Stanhope's death; tell me in detail, and especially how you came across these Cliffords."

"Ah, thereby hangs a tale, Falconer; for to Dr. Clifford's skill and generous care I partly owe my life last September—partly to him and partly—firstly, indeed, to the daring courage of a man I

ber—partly to him and partly—firstly, indeed, to the daring courage of a man I would give—ah, how much!—to discover and thank, for he flung away his own life, so far as he knew to save mine, an unknown nobody, a stranger."

"Christine, your precious life in peril! and I not there to save it! Oh! he said, turning aside. "this is bitter punishment indeed, deeply grateful though I must be to the man who was so blessed. Go on: tell me how it was."

His hand was gripping hers with a force he was scarcely conscious of; his

per:
"My heart sprung to the truth of this happiness the moment you spoke of the shipwreck in last September's gale; it was of that night I thought when I said they had better have let me drown. Heaven forgive me for the words; but if

How often has that vain cry of anguish gone up to heaven, and who can undo that which is done? Even the fabled waters of a Lethe can only give a darkened oblivion by destroying memory; they can not wash away the deeds that are graven in stone!

"We can never do, that," she said, softly; "but we can atone. And you will try again, my heart's dearest, I know!"

He stooped and kissed her lips reverently—a worshipper at the shrine of his saint.

"Now, tell me of your life, Christine," he said, presently; and listened in sil-

"And so," she ended at length, with "And so," she ended at length, with her present position, "that is how I came to the Cliffords'. One thing more I must tell you, Falconer, cruel pain though it is to me. On her death-bed my aunt told me, without the name of the lover, the truth about my mother's treatment of Mr. Orde—"

darkest hours, husband, see me or write to me; but never—never fear for shame's sake to face me—a poor mortal like yourself—a sinner like yourself before the perfect Creator!"

"You a sinner!" exclaimed St. Maur, vehemently, and lifting his head quickly to gaze upon her face with glowing eyes, half lover's, half devotee's, before a saint: "you—you are perfect to me, at least."

"Oh Eslopeer, Esloward!"

What woman who loved could have

into a cab.

How blank the room was when she was gone—the star of his night!

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