

OLD-FASHIONED GENTLEMAN

shoulder. "That's the true ring, my son!" he cried, his eyes filling with tears. "I've never loved you as I do this minute. Now you begin to live. This day marks the parting of the roads: From this day you go forward, not back. It doesn't make any difference what happens or what things you——"

"And you don't think Madeleine will——"

"Think Madeleine will lose her love for you! You don't know the girl—not for one minute. Of course, everything is upside down, and of course there'll be bad blood. Mr. Eggleston is angry, but he'll get over it. What he has lost to-day he has made a dozen times over in his career in a single turn in stocks, and will again. Keep your head up! Finish your work at the office; pay every cent you owe; come