

CHAPTER XV.

"MY HEART IS BROKEN." Her voice, so pleading, so piteous in ita purity and modesty, would have turned a heart of stone; but, unfor-

funately, the marquis did not possess

"Very nice, very-very-charming," he said, patting his hand almost as if he had patted hers. "I am sure you credit. And you utterly decline to believe that he would do you any

trust, the Marchioness of Farintosh."

eyes dwelt upon his face with a faint dread. His unnatural calmness, the sweet, placid voice that was as smooth—and as cold—as a running stream, smote her with apprehension.

It seemed so self-assured, so full of conviction and power, cold, deadly

wealth.' the wife of a man who wielded an enormous influence. Now, as a ch. no!-but because there are cerperform that require a preparatory training: certain ladies, ladies of noble family, are trained for the positrained for his profession. Do you

unch her lap as a token of assent, and with a slight, courtly bow he went

"Tiev fill the nosition to the satisfaction of their husbands and the world at large, and all goes well; but surposing that a young man in Lord Edgar's situation marries a girl who is not so fitted, who has not received

lips, her eyes fixed on his pale, impassive face as a dove's might be enchained by a serpent's.

He inclined his head again.

were, into the society of what the world calls grand people, her hushow could she be otherwise? She



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The Old Marquis; young husband does not mind; he loves her, you see, so fondly, she is so pretty and delicious, that he overlooks it: but presently she begins to The Girl of the Cloisters be unhappy, the great ladies sneer at and they let her see that they do so."

> He paused and wiped his dry lips chief, and she watched him as if the action had been part and parcel of

> pity him. They whisper that he hus thrown himself away-that he has

> "Ah!" she drew a long breath. It was breaking in upon her, this subtle, devilish logic that was crushing

fade, and at last he observes that it it quite true and that he should have quite gentle. plucked the stately rose who would have lived and flourished by his side, and not the little lily of the valley who can only wither and die in this

and her little hand was pressed hard

against her throbbing heart. "So at last there grows up a barrier between them, and one day he But before this can happen, my lord have married, and one day he leaves this young and wretched wife and- punished, my child. Besides, he has are you faint? I have tired you!" done no wrong! He would have been

chief. He had won the game, he knew; but he would finish his stroke

"I don't think there is much more. except that the poor lily does die, or, crushed, and altogether withered flower the innocent cause of her from his own folly! Do you think I have been drawing upon my imagina-

tion? Do not flatter me! My dear child, I have not. I am the most "This happens: The young wife practical of individuals, and my little

> was turned from his, one hand claspclosed tightly in her lap, the graceful

> might look at an interesting case upon which he had been operating, then

merely give you the benefit of my advice and experience. If you choose to run the risk-many girls would-"

Then she turned, and the lovely also. face was almost saint-like in its | Slowly she drew her hand away, leathly pallor of self-sacrifice and and slowly and with evident, painful,

here at your feet! And, ah, my lord, upon his breast.

all her heart and soul, and would the awful presence of the marquis. give her life for him she loves!" she | "Lela, Lela! What is it? Come

child-like face, "I see now why you were so assured of getting your way! -I feel it! Lord Edgar shall not marry me, no, oh, no! I will never see him again, never! I will not ruin him, let who will. But"-and her hands clasped in piteous misery-"it is hard, so very, very hard! I was would ruin him! Oh, why have I ever

marquis, "I am very sorry for you! My heart bleeds for you." It must the blow he was slowly, gracefully very white kind of blood! "It does indeed! If I had known that this little romance had gone so far, I consolation: Better that you should suffer for a few weeks-it will be no

wretched also! Think of that, my

with greater tenderness or solemnity, and the cold, impassive face grew

"And you are quite resolved?" "Resolved!" she shuddered.

Love is strong, and duty grows weak tells her to her face that he has made As for him-Leave him to me." SLORICO fault!" she breathed, turning swiftly, woman-like, rousing to defend her

> you! I should have done the same if I had been in his place. No, no; weeks and he-both of you-will have ecovered from this little episode,

She arose, tearless now, lovely in

"Are you going?" he said, rising and extending his hand, "My poor feel greatly, very greatly. Will you

"If by chance Lord Edgar should insist upon seeing you-he is quite

that if you yield harm will come of it. standing here-both very wretchedto convince you against your will. I if you yield, and let him have his way, ruin will follow!"

effort moved to the door. As she did so, Mr. Temple emerged

"Why Lela! Out so late? It is too

"Oh, grandpapa-grandpapa!" she lips quivered as if she had received a sobbed. "My heart is broken-brok-

> Mr. Temple stood with troubled eyes and wrinkled brow, patting her



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moonlight, and the old man started

Lala slipped from him and glided there was no smile upon his courtly face now, only a pitiless impatience

"I should have been for better satisfied if I could have thought that you in silver or stamps. had been a rogue, but I find that you

At this insult, uttered in a voice as cold as ice, as hard as steel, the genand his thin hand -closed over the handle of his stick convulsively. Then the thought struck him that what had been prognosticated so long had happened at last-the great marquis had gone mad!

"My lord, this language-" he fal-

"Is no stronger than you deserve said fool, not rogue. And who but would have been blind to the fact that the child committed to his charge was in deadly peril?"

amazedly. "Deadly peril! My lord

"There would have been some mistake, and worse, but for the chance which led me here to-night to discover that my son, Lord Edgar, and Miss Temple are in the habit of meeting here in this garden at night, and

poor old man, looking around as if

among the shadows. The marquis struck his stick sharp-

Man, you have been blind!—he has

"Only twice, my lord marquis." "With what object I presume you are not too insensately ignorant to they owe no thanks to you in that-"

"Stop, my lord!" exclaimed the old man, drawing himself to his full height, and looking as much like "Your son is a gentleman, and honest one."

"You talk like the girl," he sai

The marquis laughed, an unplea

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