

THE VILLAGE ANGEL; Or, Agatha's Recompense.

CHAPTER L.—(Continued.)

"Will she die?" asked Mrs. Norman. "No, not at once. Poor Freda! to think how lovely she looked to-night, now she is lying in such anguish that death would be a relief."

that I may know in time to—save her, if I can. "I will tell you all I know," she replied, and she gave him the history of their visit to the theatre.

troubled themselves much. They held the first rank in the world, and they were no less ambitious of it. When they went to town, they met with the greatest respect, but they did not mix in any exclusive set.

the most comfortable homes in the world. The charming beauty of Beatrice, the grace and sweetness of Clara delighted her; with the little Laura she was more than pleased.

could count or know what to do with. He had houses and lands. He had several very magnificent estates, and the last inheritance, Ryton Park, in Kent, surpassed all the others in antiquity and beauty.

future, and what it held for me, but I never thought of anything so fair as I find it. I am sure that in the whole of this wide world there is no other creature so blithe, so happy as I."

CHAPTER LI. IN A NEW HOME.

Antiquity has a beauty of its own, but there is also a great charm about a newly-built, magnificent mansion, such as Lord Penrith had erected for himself in place of the tumble-down castle where his ancestors had dwelt.

He had been a man of sound practical sense, and the first thing upon which he decided was rebuilding the old castle, or rather building a new one.

It was the same at balls; she entered into them with a pleasure to see her. The bright, happy young face—the slender, girlish figure—the shining eyes—the air of thorough, complete, perfect enjoyment, drew quite as much attention as the loveliness of her face.

CHAPTER LIII. "MY HEART WEST OUT TO HIM." "I like to talk about him," continued the girl, in all the honest enthusiasm of love.

After the clerk had pulled down everything in the store without satisfying his customer, a woman, the asked him if there was anything else he had not shown her.