### small old lady, with keen eyes, a dark,

"That's a relief," observed the old lady, without, however, much evidence of gratitude. "I can manage now; and you will come to see me? I don't ask any of you," she said, looking round the group with inimitable efupon the group with inimitable ef-frontery, "because I don't feel quite sure that I have ever seen you before. If I have so great change has taken place that it renders recognition difficult. Honore, good-bye. I will give you my address as soon as I am set-

tled. You are sure you will call?"
"Quite sure, Mrs. Payte."
"And now," concluded the old lady, with a shrewd, slow glance around her, "I will wish you all a good-day." She waited to note each separate reception of her farewell, her dark broad black hat and shabby dress, to little restless face full of keen observation. Only a few vouchsafed any sulted: instead of the stranger they reply. Theodora took no more notice had looked for, had entered the insigof her presence than if, just then, she had been a stool upon the carpet. | fore that day, had lived among them Mrs. Trent slightly bent her pompous head, but did not move her lips, able only to afford cottage lodgings, Phoebe said "Good-morning," as she might have uttered a forced apology their midst, had had every opportunity which she loathed to utter. Captain Trent bowed his most formal bow, and

Mr. Haughton hurried through a rough disguise.

It was strange that now, in her The other gentlemen bowed without handsome dress, and in her own beaua word, while Honore walked to the tiful rooms, all could readily detect

door with her old friend. "Don't come down-stairs," said Mrs. | centric, excitable, she might be, but Payte, arresting her. "This is not still she carried with her the marks your own house, you know, child, and (and the consciousness, too) of high you had better act as the others act. birth and lofty position. A true patri-Turn back, and let me go my way cian was Sir Hervey Lawrence's widalone. Make haste, and you will have ow; a true gentlewoman was old Mydthe fun of seeing them smooth their delton's sister. And yet to think it

At dusk, when the servants came in lous wealth lay for distribution! Hers to light up the room and shut out the | -the thin, restless hands of this little fading daylight, the spirits of every old lady, whom, up to this moment, one rose, and expectation grew keener every second. This was the time Lady | Payte! Lawrence had promised to join them, and there was no fear of disappointment today. For the years of anticipation as well as the week's waiting
in London, they would all be rewarded. in London, they would all be rewarded in a few minutes' time.

Every eye was on the watch; every ear was strained to the uttermost; for t would be hard to catch the rustling of a dress through these thick walls, (To be Continued.) ear was strained to the uttermost; for it would be hard to catch the rustling of a dress through these thick walls or the fall of a step upon the velvet

Complacency had returned now to every member of the family, and smiles were ready to their lips. The influence of this eager and expectant watchfulness had so wrapped Honore, too, that when at last the door was thrown wide open, and a voice an-nounced "Lady Lawrence," she felt with what a sudden start and quiver she rose, as all the others rose, to meet | will for you.

heirs who was not. and had not for years been, familiar with the portrait of his sister, the Anglo-Indian who was to be the arbitress and distributor of his almost fabulous wealth, and on whose return to England so many hopes were centered. All were familiar with the sketch which had been sent them, as well as with the girlish portrait at Abbotsmoor, and -built upon these-some had formed a fancy portrait of this important dame, in whose power it lay to make them rich. Familar to all were the portly figure in its stiff, plain dress, and the smooth, sleek face with its low braids of dark hair, its sleepy, thoughtful eyes, its intellectual chin, and its wide and firmly closed lips. Not one but knew this picture well, and knew that this was Lady Lawrence whom they should rise to meet. So there was not one who did not start back in visible alarm and consternation when they saw that it was another and a very different figure which entered after that slow announcement of "Lady

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restless face, and lines of cynical amusement round her thin, mobile lips.

"My dears, I am glad to see you all-very glad to see you here," she said, advancing toward them with her small

hands outstretched. "I have kept you waiting a long time, and for that I owe you an apology. But I intend to defer it until after dinner, and in the

meantime how do you do, all of you?"

midst, the family of old Myddelton

ous expectation with which they had

risen to greet Lady Lawrence, had

fallen, in one moment, an awful numb-

ness, a maddening sense of utter de-

feat, and helplessness, and despair,

and, withal, a bitter, stinging con-sciousness of what might have been.

For, instead of that imposing figure

for which they had looked, there had

entered the tiny one which, half an

hour before, had come in to them in

nificant person who, for months be-

as a poor and unknown gentlewoman,

but who, in this cottage home, in

of studying their characters, while be-

fore her they had not cared to wear

the inborn aristocrat. Brusque, ec-

should be in her hands that the fabu-

they had known only as Mrs. Edna

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of the missing man. Jones, who is 32 years old, has boarded with A. P. Hodgson and his wife, at No. 84 East Eagle street, for almost three months. He came here from Ingersoll, Ont. Mrs. Hodgson slowly realized that some change had come over Jones. He acted queerly, and according to her story, when she finally inquired of Jones and noted the difference in his manner, he intimated that he had either been drugged or was under some hypnotic influence exercised by the strange woman, whose name

he refused to make known. The police have made diligent search for Jones, but their efforts so far have proved fruitless. The only thing that could be found in the young man's room was a letter from his brother Wally, of Ingersoll, which chides Frank for not having written to his mother in several months, and stating that the writer is about to go to a Toronto hospital for treatment. Jones is described as a man five feet eight or nine inches tall, sandy complexion, light hair, light mustache, one front tooth filled with gold, several front teeth missing, and two fingers missing from his left hand.

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