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Shadows," "Lucky Killars," etc.
CHAPTER XII.
A FIRST TRIUMPH FOR OGO.
Lord Ronald was surprised at the unexpected
absence of the Earl of Charlewick in the park
at that hour, he was even more astonished at
suddenness thus presented to his view in the
glare of the moonlight. All that he had ever

He looked upon the evil, sneering, mocking face of the relative. He recoiled as from an embodied menace.

It was early, still keeping his hand on his nephew's shoulder, sent a peering, suspicious glance around into the further shadows of the park. Lord Vivian and Miss Clair were out of sight and hearing, and he and nephew were alone.

"So I've found you in my grounds again, have you?"

“I witnessed half your interview with that wild Lord Chelmsford here!” I began.

and followed her. I overheard half year endearments, your silly, turtle-dove coo-
"I should have suspected eavesdropping to be
genial employment for your lordship," said
ould, scornfully. "You are doubtless now
that Miss Clair will not fall an easy prey
or blandishments."
Hearl reined in his anger with a strong hand.

And the girl's not eighteen, romantic, foolish, and
and away by the novelty of a first lover. Once
her fool her power, once let a second and richer
kneel at her shrine with flatteries, and, like
women, she'll prove false. But this stolen
with her will never be repeated. Her
fidelity shall no longer be imposed upon. She
not be held by you to the continuance of an

to die. I heard Lord Christ's promise to you, and I highly commended his parental care of his children. He has his own plans for her, his own destiny, and he will not suffer her to be thrown by her own folly upon a beggar. If necessary he will force you away to be deep in Lord Christ's confidence. Know, young man, that I am also a son of the Father, and I am weak and helpless.

"You will become my wife," said Lord Ronald, "You decide yourself, sir," said Lord Ronald, "In this country you lady can be forced to marry a man whom she dislikes. Let me pass," "Not yet," declared the earl violently. "I, you from the first moment I saw you, Ronald, as once I hated your father. He was a cruel and proud man, and he told me that my father loved you."

...the things have turned out so differently
his wishes. What a look of absolute horror
was upon his face when I forced my way into
his presence, and he sprang up in his bed
shrieked my name: Death! He believed
I had been murdered twenty years ago,
was angry because I had dared to live, and
tried to oust his beloved grandson from his ex-
clusive inheritance. Pah! I hated him - my

"I think and feel more in a moment than man in a year. Better take yourself out of my young man, for, when Old Esai of Charlestown has his wife dead."

"He missed the last words between his own teeth. His glittering black eyes glared upon him."

"I see no reason for all this fury and fretting," said Rosamund quietly. "I intended upon your

made a movement of retreat. You see no reason
to be afraid: I have more to say. You see no reason
to be angry: I have I do not stand under the tree
with you, have I seen you kiss the woman I hated to
die? Did not you say clasp her to your breast?
I hate you! Ah! love this girl. The
of oppression has tried my heart. I warn
to keep clear of me all of her. There shall

"Give her up at once and completely,"
 said Ronald smiling disdainfully.
 "Do you suppose, Earl of Charlewick, that
 my expected inheritance I have lost my
 good? Missa Clair loves me, and no one shall
 take her. True, I am poor, but poverty is no shame
 to have no quarrel with you, sir: but do
 not come on the defensive. And do not war
 Missa Clair. I warn you that any personation
 of you or her is foolish."

as how, permit me to ask, my daughter?" sneered Lord Charleswick. "I know your nature," said Howard coolly, "an undisciplined character, your violent tempestuous bursts of fury. You are like a volcano, to break forth at any moment in derangement. I know you as I already do, I know that the past years of your life—wherever it has been—

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"You persecute her with your attentions, if
 "I persist in your pretensions to her hand in
 "marriage, I will unearth this secret of yours, and
 "at the cost to myself and name blazes it is the
 "early gave utterance to a low, growling
 "grating his teeth like a wild boar beside
 "with rage.
 "You think that because the detectives failed
 "to get you out before, they would fail again
 "to-night."

work now in a different way. I should like to track back your career, step by step, from the day of your appearance at Charleston, through the years. They should find whence you came, from what station, what port. Step by step they would track in your history until they arrived—at *Your secret!* Do not push me to this extent. I would keep the title borne by so many members of Charleston pure and unswayed still in the face of the world.

"I will defend Mine
any and every cost."
voice rang out sternly, and there was a
upon his face that declared him terribly in
Pearl's swarthy face grew livid; his eyes
like false beacons. Rage held him speech-
a have brought on this crisis," resumed
Donald. "You have driven us at bay. And

shall have your solemn promise to withhold your pretensions as a suitor of Miss Clair, or you only to begin an investigation into your which shall end—you best know where! I answer? It is here! In the spring of a former, Lord Charleswick himself upon his nephew, planting a blow in his stone-like flat squarely, planting a blow

as if shot. [redacted] dropped to the floor, breathing hoarsely, looked nervously at [redacted] and [redacted].

of the bowers, mechanics, enginemen, and others, employed at the West Durham collieries.

be reinstated in his proper place." The great amount of responsibility rested upon his shoulders, and he was not at all sure that he was up to that district. How had the owners, he asked, met the miners with regard to this claim for the strike? The miners' representative replied "No, it is a matter for the miners to decide. They are entitled to be heard for reduction. The masters next offered the miners a 10 per cent. advance, and a 25 per cent. advance for the next year, and a 50 per cent. advance for the year 1917 by a final settlement, and another 50 per cent. for the year 1918. The miners refused to accept the offer, and the strike began from that point, and another 5 per cent. to the end of May. These were submitted to the men, and they refused to accept them. They then went to the hands of the Federation Board to settle, for the ballot on these questions had been taken, and however, the masters said that they would not accept the ballot, and that they must settle the matter by arbitration whether they were willing or not." The employers having taken this course of action, the miners' representative said that they were not going to stand firm against any reduction in wages. "Yes." Having refused to submit to any arbitration, they were now out on the field, and the Federation Board had no power to do anything. The Federation associated with the Federation Board. He said the owners give their notices? They left the miners out of the picture, and they might return to the mine and work for the owners.

men's hand met to crack. The Tanfield Law firm, 1000 Lexington Ave., New York 17, is represented by Messrs. J. M. McAlmond, W. Christopher, and J. Pletten; for the defense, Messrs. J. H. Holmes, J. F. Miller and E. G. Gales.

TOW LAW V. DANBURY ATHLETIC—Owing to the fact that the Danbury Athletic Club is a non-profit organization, the Danbury Athletic will journey to Tow Law to bring off the Tow Law victory.

A splendid game may be expected, and the Tow Law team will be represented by Messrs. J. M. McAlmond, Hildreth, Kates, Tempersky and Hildreth, and the Danbury Athletic by Messrs. J. H. Holmes, G. Conlon and Potts, right wing; Conroy and Conroy, left wing; Benson, center. Inferior, Mr. A. J. W. MacFarlane, referee.

GRADUATE PARK V. REMOND KNO RIVERS—This important feature will be played at Leaside, and a good game may be expected. The Leaside team will be represented by Messrs. J. M. McAlmond, W. Christopher, B. Brown, and J. Pletten; for the Leaside team, Messrs. J. H. Holmes, G. Conlon, C. Barnham, Brown, H. Watts, W. W. MacFarlane, referee.

WILSON'S C. V. CONYET LEASIDE—To be expected on the ground, the Leaside team will be represented by the following team: Goal, Messrs. G. Conlon and H. Symington; half-backs, Messrs. J. M. McAlmond and J. Pletten; for Leaside, Messrs. J. H. Holmes, W. W. MacFarlane, referee.

J. H. Hull and W. S. Sutter, right wing; C. Cooke

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There was no second, and the motion carried.

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On the motion of Mr ROBINSON to the effect that the Bill be read from the Local Board to a circular he had received from the Local Board, and which was in accordance to the Small Agricultural Holdings Bill, the Bill was read.

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 of Mary Ann J. Carriek, East Post-
 and second son of William Carriek,
 who died March 16th, 1850, aged 32.
 Gone from sight, but still to memory dear.
 I live the memory of my dear mother, Ann Bell,
 who died 1st of Paddlers Row, Consett, March
 17th, 1851.
 As she is gone, whom we so dearly loved,
 Her tender kindness we so often proved;
 Yes, she is gone, her happy spirit's fled,
 And now she is numbered with the good dead;
 Fare thee well, Dear Mother.
 Memoriam of George Kirkup, of Consett, who
 died March 13th, 1851, aged 43 years.
 His toils are gone, his victory was done,
 And he is fully blest.
 He fought the fight, the work was done,
 And entered into rest.

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