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TO-MORROW.

Whate'er the grief that dims the eye, :_ Whate'er the cause of sorrow, We turn us to the weeping aky, And say," We'll smile to-morrow. And when from those we love we part, From home we comfort borrow, And whisper to our aching heart,

We'll meet again to-morrow. But when to-morrow comes 'tis still An image of to-day,

Still tears our heavy evelids fill. Still mourn we those away. And when that morrow too is past-(A yesterday of sorrow) Hope, smiling, cheats us to the last

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LOST ALICE.

CHAPTER I.

With visions of to-merrow.

Why did I marry her? I often asked myself the question in the days that succeeded our honey-moon. By right, I should have married no one. Yet I loved her, as I love her

She was, perhaps the strangest character of her age. In her girlhood, I could not comprehend her; and I often think, when I raise my eyes to her grave, quiet face, as she sits opposite me at dinner, that I do not comprehend her yet. There are many thoughts working in her brain of which I know nothing, and flashes of feeling look out at her eyes now and then, and go back again, as captives might steal a glimpse of the outer world through their prison bars, and turn to their brick walled solitude once more. She is my wife. I have had her, and hold her as no other can. - She bears my name, and sits at the head of my table; she rides beside me in my carriage, or takes my arm as we walk; and yet I know and feel, all the time, that the darling of my past has fled from me for ever, and that it is only the ghost of the gay Alice, whom I won in all the bloom of her

bright youth, that lingers near me now. She was not a child when I married her, though she was very young. I mean that life had taught her lessons which are generally given only to the gray-haired, and had laid burdens upon her which belong of right.

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It was not late when I reached home, after the sudden bound with which my heart my control. But it was pretty to see her, when she turned to leave the room, with fire cach other. though she was very young. I mean that to the old. She had been an unloved child, and at the age of sixteen she was left to herself, and entirely dependent on her own exertions. Friends and family she had none, so she was accustomed laughingly to say; but I have since found that her sisters were living, and in happy homes, even at the time when she accepted that awful trust of herself, and went out of the world to fulfil it. Of this part of her life she never speaks; but one who knew her then has told me much. It was a time of struggle and pain, as well it might have been. Fresh from the life of a large boarding school, she was little fitted for the bustle of a great selfish city; and the tears come to my eyes as I think, with a kind of wonder, on the child who pushed her way through difficulties at which strong men have quailed, and made herself a name, and a position, and a home. She was a writer,—at first a drudge, for a weekly press, poorly paid, and unappreciated. Bye-and-bye, brighter days dawned, and the wolf went away from the door. She was admired, read, sought after, and-above all-paid. Even then, she could not use the wisdom she had purchased at so dear a rate. She held her heart in her hand, and it was wrung and tortured every

"I may as well stop breathing as stop loving," she would say, with a happy smile .-"Don't talk to me about my folly. Let me go on with my toys; and if they break in my hand, you cannot help it, and I shall not come to you for sympathy."

She was not beautiful; but somethingwhether it was her bright, happy face, or the restless gaiety of her manner-bewitched people, and made them like her. Men did the maddest things imaginable for her sake; and not only young men in whom folly was par- tric kind of shock in the gaze. I saw the upon a moonlight night. The touch of the donable, but those who should have been too color deepen and go up to her forehead, and small slight fingers was playing the mischief wise to be eaught by the sparkle of her smile, a shiver ran over me from head to foot. It with my good resolutions, and my wisdom till some new fancy came, and then she danced past them, and was gone. It was in the country that I met her first:

and there she was more herself than in the city. We were distant relatives, though we had never seen each other, and the fates sent me to spend my summer vacation with my mother's aunt, in a country village, where she was already domesticated. Had I known this, I should have kept my distance; for it was only a fourteenth or fifteenth cousinship that lay between us, and I had a kind of hor- tree. ror of her. I hardly knew why. I was a broken in upon by a fine lady. I said as much to my aunt, in return for her announcesketch of the lady's city life, as I had it, from the lips of "Mrs. Grundy" herself.

"Well-live and learn, they say. But who ever would think it was our Alice you are talking of, Frank! However, I'll say no more about her! You'll have plenty of time to get acquainted with her, in the month you mean to pass here. And we are glad to see you, and your bed-room is ready,—the one

you used to like." I took up my hat, and strolled away to have a look at the farm. Bye-and-bye, I got over the orehard wall, and crossed the brook, and the high-road, and went out into the grove behind the house, whose farthest trees looked so blue and distant from my chamber window. It was an old favorite place of mine. A broad wagon track led through the woods, out to a clearing on the other



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view of a lovely country, with the steep green hills lying down in the distance, wrapped in a soft fleecy mantle of cloud and haze. I could think of nothing when I stood there, on a fine sunshiny day, but the long gaze of Bunyan's Pilgrim through the shepherd's glass, at the beautiful city towards which he was journeying. And it seemed sometimes as if I could wander "over the hills and far away," and lose myself in one of the fair valleys at the foot of those hills, and be content never to come out and face the weary world any more.

I walked slowly through the woods, with the sunshine falling through the green leaves of the young beeches in chequered radiance on my path, drawing in long breaths of the fresh air, and feeling a tingling in my veins and a glow at my heart, as if the blood were flowing newly there, until I came to the little circular grove of pines and hemlocks that led out upon the Fairy's Looking-Glass .-Something stirred as I pierced my way thro' the branches, and I heard a low growl.

A girl was half sitting, half lying, in the sunshine, beside the little lake, throwing pebbles into the water, and watching the ripples that spread and widened to the other shore. A great black Newfoundland dog standing between me and her, showing a formidable row of strong white teeth, and look-

ing me threateningly in the face.

She started, and looked sharply round, and saw me standing in the little grove with the dog between us. She burst out laughing.

I felt that I was cutting rather a ridiculous figure, but I put a bold face upon the matter,

" People call me so."

"Then I suppose I may call you cousin, for I am Frank Atherton?"

"Cousin Frank! We have been expecting

you this week. When did you come? "Just now." She made room for me beside her. We talked long, about our family, our mutual friends, and the old homestead of the Athertons, which she had seen, though I had not. She told about the house, and our cousins who were then living there, and I sat listening, looking now and then at her, as she sat with the sunshine falling round her, and the most as my aunt had done, if this was indeed ribbon fastened her linen collor, and a gipsy hat, lying beside her, was trimmed with the same collor. Her watch chain, like a thread of gold, and a dimond ring, were the only ornaments she wore. Yet I had never seen a dress I liked so well. She was tall (too tall, I should have said, had she been any one else; for, when we were standing, her head was almost on a level with mine) and slender, and quick and agile in all her movements. Her brown hair was soft and pretty, but she wore it carelessly pushed away from her forehead, not arranged with that nicety I should have expected in a city belle. Her features were irregular, full of life and spirit, but decidedly plain; her complexion fair, her mouth rather large, frank and smilling; her eyebrows arched, as if they were askingquestions; and her eyes large, and of a soft dark grey, very pleasant to look into, very puzzling too, as I found afterwards to my cost. Those eyes were the only beauty she

possessed, and she unconsciously made the most of them. Had she been a Carmelite nun, she would have talked with them; she could not help it. When they laughed, it seemed their normal state-the bright beaming glance they gave ; but, when they darkened suddenly and grew softer and deeper, and looked up into the face of any unfortuuate wight with an expression peculiar to themselves, heaven help him!

Though I had known her only five minutes, I felt this, when I chanced to look up and will marry?" meet a curious glance she had fixed on me .-She had ceased to talk, and was sitting, with her lips half apart and a lovely color man-

dog, affecting to yawn. "It is time for us very happy here." to go home to supper I suppose. Are you hungry, cousin Frank?"

still running on that blush. She laughed good-naturedly, and I took the hat from the New Foundland, who had brought it in his mouth.

Yes-no," I answered, with my thoughts

said as we rose from our seat beneath the charmed a thousand hearts and had a thous-

"Fond of him?" She stooped down over thinks you, and what you try to make yoursteady going, quiet sort of lawyer, and hated him with a sudden impetuous movement, to have my short holiday of rest and quiet | took his head between her two hands, and | this-I love you. But I know you have a kissed the beauty spot, on his forehead.-Fond of him, cousin Frank? Why, the And so I beseech you to talk to me honestly, ment of "Alice Kent is here," with which she greeted me. She looked over her spectarth who is or has been true to me, and the I am not used to asking such questions of la-colored.

"That you have been true to," I said, finishing the sentence for her.

"So people say," she answered, with a rugh. "But look at him—look at those laugh. beautiful eyes, and tell me if any one could help loving him. My poor old Fred! So honest in this weary world."

She sighed, and patted his head again, and he stood wagging his tail and looking up into her face, with eyes that were as she had said, beautiful, and what was better far, brimful of love and honesty.

"I doubt if you will keep pace with us," she said, after we had walked a few steps; were growing on the side of the hill which | "and Fred is longing for a race; I always give him one through the woods. Would you

"Oh dear, no!" side, where was a little sheet of water called wind, and the dog tearing after her, barking month; and, because you could not get me by day.

the Fairy's Looking-Glass, and a beautiful till the woods rang again. I saw her that there, you would go to work and break my

CHAPTER II.

I was, as I have already said, a grave, steady-going lawyer, verging towards a respectable middle age, with one or two grey hairs showing among my black locks. I had had my dreams and fancies, and my hot, eager, generous youth, like most other men: and they had passed away. But one thing I had not known, one thing I missed, (save in my dreams,) and that was a woman's love. If I ever gave my visions a body and a

name, they were totally unlike all the realities I had ever seen. The wife of my fireside reveries was a slight, delicate, gentle creature, with a pure pale face, sweet lips, the bluest and clearest of eyes, the softest and finest of golden hair, and a voice low and sweet, like the murmurings of an Æolian harp. And she sat by my chair in silence; loving me always, but loving me silently, and her name was Mary. I dare say, if I had met the original of this placed picture in life, I should have wooed and won her, and mine?" have been utterly miserable.

So, as a matter of course, I fell into danger now. When Alice Kent went singing and dancing through the house, leaving every door and window open as she went, I used often to lay down my-pen and look after her, and feel as if the sun shone brighter for her being there. When she raced through the grove or orchard with the great dog at her heels, I smiled, and patted Fred on the head; when she rode past the house at a hand gallop on her grey pony, Fra Diavolo, and leaped him over the garden gate, and shook her whip saucily in my face, I laid aside my book to admire her riding, and never thought her unwomanly or ungraceful.

We grew to be great friends-like brother and sister, I used to say to myself. How that liking glided gradually into loving, I it. "I was looking for him through all those could not have told. I met her one day in long years, and I began to think he would the village street. I turned a corner, and came upon her suddenly. She was walking slowly along, with her dog beside her, and her eyes fixed upon the ground, looking graver and more thoughtful than I had ever seen her before. At sight of me her whole face brightened suddenly; yet she passed me with a slight nod and a smile, and took her great dog lying at her feet. I wondered allight play over her grave face, and feeling and times a day, although she delighted in

> a musing walk. The farmer and his wife the lock even, drop her proud head submishad gone to bed, the children were at a sively, and wait when said-"Stop. Shut merry-making at the next house, and a soli- the door and listen to me." Yet it was dantary light burned from the parlor window, which was open. The full moon shone fairly in a sky without a cloud. I unfastened the gate and went in.; and there in the open me! door sat Alice, with a light shawl thrown over her shoulders, her head resting on the beautiful brown eyes watched me as I came up the path, but he did not stir.

I sat down near her; but on the lower step, so that I could look up in her face.

"Alice, you do not look well." away to-morrow.' "Going away! Where?"

"Home. To London. Well? What ails you, cousin Frank? Did you never hear of any one who went to London before?"

'Yes; but why do you go?" "Why?" She opened her eyes and looked at me. For many reasons. Firstly, I only came for six weeks, and I have stayed nearly three months; secondly, because I have business which can be put off no longer; and thirdly, because my friends are wondering what on earth keeps me here so long .-They will say soon, it is you, Frank. They vow they cannot do without me any longer, and it is pleasant to be missed, you know. "And so you are going back to the old life, Alice? And bye-and-bye I suppose you

I would not advise any man, be he old or young, in case he does not think it wise or prudent to marry the woman he loves, to tling on her cheek, studying my face intent-linger with her in the doorway of a silent ly, when our eyes met. There was an elec- farm-house, and hold her hand, and look out small slight fingers was playing the mischief

ter: but I think she liked them for awhile, and wondered what thought had brought it. ed, as she did, at the sound of my own voice, "Fred, bring me my hat," she said to her it was so changed. "Alice, we have been

> I took both her hands, and held them close in mine. But she would not look at me,

though her face was turned that way.

"There is a great difference between us. dear Alice. I am much older than you, and much graver. I have never loved any wo-"How fond are you of that great dog," I man but you in my life, while you have and fancies. If you where what the world self out to be, I should say no more than heart. I know you can love, if you will .but believe me when I say you have won my whole heart, and I cannot be happy without

> "Yes, I believe you," she said. "But do you trust me, and do you love

me ?" She might trifle with a trifler, but she was

earnest enough with me. "I trust you, and I love you," she answered, frankly. "Are you wondering why I can stand before you, and speak so calmly? Because, I do not think I shall ever marry you.

heart, by way of amusement. I know it dog sickened. There was a week of misgivas well as if I had seen it all—even now." She looked at me, and all her woman's with her books, or writing all the time-heart and nature were in her eyes. They there was a day when both books and manuspoke of love and passion, and deep, deep | script were put away, and she was bending tenderness—and all for me. Something leap-ed into life in my heart at that moment which tried to hush his moans, and looked into his I had never felt before—something that made fast glazing eyes—and there was an hour of my affection of the last few hours seem cold stillness, when she lay on the low couch, and dead besides its fervid glow. I had her with her arm around his neck, neither speakin my arms within the instant—close—close to my heart.

you will, but still truly and honestly-I love the soft, dark eyes, that even in death were of restoration. It was impossible for me to you, my darling."
"But will it last? O, Frank will it last?"

I bent down, and our lips met in a long, fond kiss. "You will be my wife, Alice?" She leaned her pretty head against my arm;

and her hand stole into mine again. "Do you mean that for your answer? Am I to keep the hand, dear Alice, and call it

"If you will, Francis." It was the first time she had ever given me that name. But she never called me by any other again until she ceased to love me; and it sounded sweetly to my dying day.

CHAPTER III. We were married not long after, and for six months we dwelt in a "Fool's Paradise." When I think, that but for me, it might have lasted to our dying day, I can only sigh, and take up the burden of my life with an ach-

ing heart. They had called Alice fickle-oh, how, wrongly! No human being could be truer to another than she was to me.

"I only wanted to find my master Francis," she used to say, when I laughed at her about never come. But from the first moment when I heard you speak, and met your eyes, I felt that he was near me. And I am glad to wear my master's chains," she added kissing my

And I am sure she was in earnest. I pleased her best when I treated her most like a child. She was no angel-a passionate, way towards home. Seeing that flash of high-spirited creature. She rebelled a thousthe sudden bound with which my heart my control. But it was pretty to see her, in her eyes, and a deep flush on her cheekit was pretty to see her with her hand upon gerous. I, who had never been loved before, what could I do but become a tyrant, when a creature so noble as this bent down before

She loved me. Every chord of her most sensitive heart thrilled and trembled to my shaggy coat of the Newfoundland dog. His touch, and gave forth sweetest music; yet I was not satisfied. I tried the minor key .-Through her deep affection for me I wounded her cruelly. I can see it now. Some wise idea found its way into my head and whispered that I was making a child of my wife by "But I am. Quite well. I am going my indulgent ways, and that her character would never develop its strength in so much sunshine. I acted upon that thought, forgetting how she had already been tried in the fiery furnace of affliction; and quite unconscious, that while she was getting back all the innocent gaiety of her childish years, the deep lessons of her womanhood were still

playful ways. If, for a time, she had charmed me out of my graver self. I resolved to be charmed no more. I devoted myself again to my business, heart and soul, and sat poring for hours over law papers without speaking to her .-Yet she did not complain. So long as she was certain that I loved her, she was content, and took up her pen again, and went on with the work our marriage had interrupted. Her writting-desk was in my study, by a window just opposite mine; and sometimes I would cease to hear the rapid movements of her pen and, looking up, I would find her eyes fixed upon my face, while a happy smile was playing around her lips. One day that glance found me in a most unreasonable mood. The sense of her love half pained me, and I said

"It is bad taste, Alice, to look at any one in that way." She dropped her pen, only too glad for an

excuse to talk to me, and came and leaned over my chair. "And why? When I love some one." This was a bad beginning of the lesson.— I wanted to teach her, and I turned over my

papers in silence.

"Do I annoy you, Francis?" "Not much." Her light hand was playing with my hair, and her breath was warm on my cheek. I

up for its loss by an increased coldness of manner. "One kiss," she said. "Just one, and I'll

go away." "What nonsense, Alice. What time have I to think of kisses now.' She stood up and looked me in the face.

"Do I tease you, Francis?" "Very much." She gave a little sigh—so faint that I

could searcely hear it—and left the room.— I had seared her gaiety away for that morn-This was the first cloud in our sky.

It seems strange, now, when I look back upon it after the lapse of years, how perseverngly I labored to destroy the foundation of peace and happiness on which I might have built my life. The remaining six months of that year were months of misery to me, and I doubt not, to Alice, for she grew thin and You do not love me, as I have always said pale, and lost her gaicty. I had succeeded my husband should love me. I am way- only too well in my plan, and she had learnward and exacting, and I should weary your | ed to doubt my affection for her. I felt this life out by my constant cravings for tender by the look in her eyes now and then, and ness. I was made to be petted, Frank; and by the way she seemed to cling to her dog, you, though loving, are not an affectionate as if his fidelity and love were now her only man. You would wish me at the bottom of hope. But I was to proud to own myself "The next moment she was off like the the Red Sea before we had been married a in the wrong, and the breach widened day chair and lifting my hand to her lips, "why frenzy.

In the midst of all this estrangement the ing on Alice's part, when she sat beside him ing nor stirring. And when the poor creature's last breath was drawn, she bent over "Alice! if ever man loved woman with him with a passionate burst of grief, kissed heart and soul-madiy and unreasonably if the white spot upon his forehead, and closed turned towards her with a loving look.

She did not come to me for sympathy .--She watched alone, while the gardener dug going to Italy for six months, and it was ara grave and buried him beneath the study ranged that Alice should accompany them. window. She never mentioned him to me, and never paid her daily visits to his grave till I was busy with my papers for the evening. So the year, which had begun in love and said, I should soon go after her if she and happiness, came to its close.

I sat in the study alone one morning in the February following, looking over some deeds that had been long neglected, when I heard Alice singing in the balcony outside the window. It was the first time I had heard her sing since Fred's death, and I laid down my pen to listen. But hearing her coming through the hall, I took it up again,

and affected to be very busy. It was a warm, bright, beautiful day, and she seemed to bring a burst of sunlight and happiness with her as she opened the door. Her own face, too, was radiant, and she looked like the Alice of the old farm-house, as she came on tiptue and bent over my

"Well, what is it?" I asked, looking up. She laid a pretty little boquet of violets, tied with blue ribbons, before me.

"I have been to the conservatory, and have brought you the first flowers of the season, Francis. And something else, which you may not like so well."

She bent over me as she spoke, and leaning her hand on my shoulder, kissed me twice. She had been chary of her carresses for some time; and, when she did this of her own accord, I wheeled round in my chair, and looked up at her.

"You seem very happy to-day, Alice." "It is somebody's birthday," she said, stationing herself upon my knee, and looking

into my eyes. "And I wish somebody very feeling, Francis, for the last six months, we and pale she was, will bury it to-day, now and forever." She clung to me in silence, and hid her face upon my breast. I was moved, in spite of myself, I kissed the brown hair that was

scattered over my shoulder, and said I was quite willing to forget everything (as if I up with a bright smile, and I dare say, thought me very magnanimous.

"And we will make a new beginning from this day, Francis." "If you will, my child."

She caressed me again, after a queer little nothing could reanimate her. fashion of her own, which always made me smile, and which consisted of a series of parts of my face-four, I believe, being allotand efface the past and its unhappiness. I

were around my neck. scarcely left me five moments before the fanhe power she had over me. For months I had been schooling myself into coolness and indifference, and at her very first warm kiss or smile, I was completely routed. She had vexed, and thwarted, and annoyed me much during those months: it would not do to par- for Alice took that meal in her own room don her so fully and entirely before she had even asked my forgiveness. I took a sudden resolution; and, when she came back into the room, was buried in my papers once more. Poor child! she had one half-hour's sunshine, at least.

"One moment," she said, taking the pen out of my hand, and holding something up over my head. "I have a holiday gift for you. Do you want it?"

"If you give it to me, certainly." "Then ask me for it."

I said nothing, but took up my pen again. Her countenance fell a little. "Would you like it?" she said timidly.

"There was a saint in old times," I said, quietly, going on with my papers, "a namesake of mine, by the way-Saint Francis of felt my wisdom vanishing, and tried to make | Sales-who was accustomed to say, that one

should never ask or refuse anything."

"Well! but I'm not talking to Saint Francis; I am talking to you. Will you have my little gift? Say yes-just to please me -just to make my happy day still happier."

"Don't be a child, Alice.' "It is childish, I know; but indulge me this once. It is such a little thing, and it but she drew back and shook her head. will make me very happy."
"I shall not refuse whatever you choose

to give me. Only don't delay me long, for I want to go on with these papers." The next moment she threw the toy (a

and turned away, grieved and angry. I stooped to pick it up-it was broken in two. looked at me and sighed: "Oh, you can condescend to lift it from the ground !" she said sarcastically. "Upon my word, Alice, you are the most

unreasonable of beings. However, the little god of love can be easily mended." " Yes."

other and looked at me. "It can be mended, but the accident must leave its trace, like all others. Oh, Francis!" she added, throwing herself down by my

"Alice," I said, impatiently, "do get up.

You tire me.' She rose and turned pale.

"I will go then. But first answer my question. Do you love me, Francis?' I felt anger and obstinacy in my heart-nothing else. Was she threatening me? "Did you love me when you married me, Francis?

"I did. But-"

"But you do not love me now?"

"Since you will have it," I said. "Go on!

"I do not love you—not as you mean." There was a dead silence in the room, as the lying words left my lips, and she grew so white and gave me such a look of anguish that I repented of my cruelty, and forgot my

anger.
"I do not mean that, Alice," I cried.— 'You look ill and pale. Believe me, I was

only jesting."
"I can bear it, Francis. There is nothing on this earth that cannot be borne-in one

way or other." She turned and left the room, quietly and sadly. The sunshine faded just then, and only a white, pale light came through the window. I so connected it with her sorrow, that to this day I can never see the golden radiance come and go across my path, without the same sharp, knife-like pang that I felt then, as the door closed behind her.

CHAPTER IV.

Alice became weaker, and grow really ill. A tour on the continent was strongly recommended by the doctors as the likeliest means go; but some friends of ours, one Mr. and Mrs. Warrener, with a young daughter, were

They remained abroad nine months instead remained away much longer; and they tho't we were still a model couple. But, had they seen me sitting in my office, at night, over Alice's letters from abroad, they would have known what a gulf had opened between us two. I read those letters over and over again, with aching throbs going through and through my heart at every word. They were full of incident and interest, and people called them beautiful, who had not seen the mixture of womanly passion and childlike playfulness in her character that I had seen,

and which I was to see no more. At last she returned. I came home tired enough, one evening, to find a letter lying on my table, informing me that she would cross to Dover on the morrow. I went down to Dover to meet her. Our estrangement had worn deep into my heart. She had loved me once; she should love me again!

I was worn, haggard. I took a bath and made a careful toilet after my hurried journey. As I was taking my last look in the glass, the hotel waiter came to tell me they had arrived.

I followed him, more nervous than I had ever been before in my life. Warrener grasped my hands as I opened the door, and Mrs. Warrener-bless her kind heart!-

burst out crying.
"Oh, my dear Frank! I am so glad to see you. And we have brought you your Alice home, so well."

Next moment she entered, a little King Charles' spaniel frisking about her feet. I many happy returns:"-her voice faltered a | had her in my arms at once, but it was no little-"and if there has been any wrong until she kissed me that I knew how cold

> "Alice, are you ill?" I asked, holding her away from me, and looking into her face. Her eyes met mine; but their old light was quite gone. "Not in the least ill, Frank." she said qui-

etly. "But you must remember I have not had anything to forget!) at which she looked seen you for nine months, and you startled me a little." My household fairy had fled, and I could

only mourn that I should never look upon her sweet, young face again. It was another Alice, this. I had slain my own Alice, and

I was like one in a dream all through the day; and, when we came home, I could not kisses bestowed systematically on different wake. I had made many changes in the house, and all for her. I took her through ted to my forehead, two to each cheek, two the rooms on the day after our return, and to the chin, four to my lips, and four to my showed her the improvements. She was eyes. She went through this ceremony with pleased with the furniture; she admired the the deep lessons of her womanhood were still a painstaking care, and then looked me in lying beneath the sparkling surface of her the face. All her love and tenderness seem-delighted with the little gem of a boudoir delighted with the little gem of a boudoir ed to come up before me in that moment, which I had pleased myself by designing expressly for her. She thanked me to. held her closely to my heart, and her arms longer ago than a year, she would have danced through the rooms uttering a thou-Will any one believe it? My wife had sand pretty little exclamations of wonder and delight, and I should have been smothered ey came to me that I had shown too plainly with kisses, and called a "dear old bear," or some such fit name at the end; all of which would have been very silly, but also very de-

lightful. I think I bore it for a month; but one morning, as I sat at my solitary breakfastnow-the bitter sense of wrong and unhappiness and desertion came over me so strongly that I went up to her room. "Are you busy?" I asked, as she laid

down her pen and looked around. "Not too busy to talk to you," she said. " Alice, how long are we to live this life?" She changed color.

" What life, Frank?" "The one we are living now. It is not the happy, loving life we used to live. You are not mine as entirely and lovingly as you

once were.' "I know it." And she sighed and looked drearily at me.

"Why cannot the old days come back again. If I made a terrible mistake, can you never forgive it? I thought it was foolish for us to love each other as we did-at least, to show it as we did-but I have found now, that love is earth's only true wisdom.'

She smiled sadly. "Give me back that love, Alice, which I would not have. Oh, give me back the lost sunshine." I rose from my seat and stood beside Ler,

" Frank, don't ask me for that." "I shall know how to value it now, Alice."

"That may be; but I have it not to give you, my poor Frank." I clasped her to my heart. The passion pretty little bronze inkstand made like a Cu- in that heart might almost have brought pid, with a quiver full of pens) at my feet, back life to the dead; but she did not move. She was like a statute in my arms, and only

"Too late! Too late, Frank!"

"Will you never forgive me?" "Forgive? Do you think I have one unkind thought or feeling towards you, Frank? Ah, no! But I am chilled through. My love is dead and buried. Stand away from "She placed the fragments one upon the its grave, and let us meet the world as we best may."

> I leaned my head upon my hands, and my tears fell, and I was not ashamed of them. But they seemed to rouse her into a kind of

do you try me so? Do you really love me?" 1 "You?" she exclaimed suddenly, "you.