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er mind-why should we speak of her haproper.

toot, when so many, even then, were thins-ing of her hand. There is a great affinity between strong his time, not mere than eighteen years of Ann Rankles, just clear of her first year of the age, saw and loved. They both were of her widowhood, resplendent in beauty, round with her phial of wrath brinful, to move the bandkerchief that lay on the been all the preparations, what care has and what demon shall stand by and say powder profusely-there was sympathy stepping into her well-appointed carriage, pour it on the head of the humble in mind, edge of the table, and partly on her lap.- been bestowed to make the decorations that I shall not bless him and embrace in that—the only difference was in the col- in order to make one at a dinner party in and the meek in carriage. Something like a scuffle ensued. Mrs. worthy of the occasion and of the parties. him?" and then, with uplifted hands, she or. Owing to our excellent poor laws, & Brunswick Square. Her hostess was al- "Lady Rankles," said the hostess, with Canderson rose from her chair, and be- She is taken to the windows, and again prayed silently over him for a space; the excellent state of morals of our poor, so a widow, the relict of a Colonel Cander- a most ominous cmphasis on the word la- side it on the ground lay three of the kings. made to observe the splendor of the equip- blessed him audibly, and placed the ma-

these two minors committed the great ny's service, rich, avaricious, fond of play sovereigns this evening." these two minors committed the great ny's service, rich, avaricious, fond of play sovereigns this evening." (ute, At length Mrs, Canderson came up which dear mistake-marriage-and Ann. Wilkins as past forty, and not very remarkable for "If it gives you pain, my dear Mrs. to Lady Raukles, and whispering distinct impatient. was, and Ann Runt as is, to use the Pad- personal charms. She was one of those Canderson," she replied mildly, "I am re- ly in her ear, uttered these words-"Carddington patois, was, at a little more than of whose intimacy-it is the moral we ally very sorry for it." the age of fifteen, a mother. Start not! wish to inculcate—we should beware. "I "Give me pain, indeed! I should not dropping!" This is an unexaggerated fact. The beau- never forget my friends, and never for- have thought of it-I believe I have got It was then that Lady Rankles appeared never again have such sweet feelings,

this is an unexaggerated fact. The beau-tilf Cinderella, cre she was out of her in-give my enemies," was continually in her ist as much pain at losing this money as factory was fast sinking down into the sick-mouth, and, at least, the latter part in her you have sorrow at winning it." ly, and the dowdy, dirty mother heart. For the first clause of her creed? "Never said a truer word, by Japers," Mrs. Canderson was a great general ; she cient for the day shall we find the evil of low life. Then came the parish medi- I never knew that her friends were very said a voice from the crowd that usually knew that her reputation was at stake, thereof."

cal attendance, and the begrudged parish method it-relief, and the obtained gin, when food it-self was unattainable; the lowering look, the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions so much forgetfulness ought to the heavy curse of actions to the heavy curse of action the heavy curse, and the heavier curse of actions so much forgetuiness ought to no notice of n. - but perhaps not have been wished, or of whom, as Chris-the debased boy-husband. His time was have been wished, or of whom, as Chris-bit and his comployment precarious - tions, we should have more to forgive. - and exclaimed, "Good heavens! I trust that I have not carried the joke too far!- Canderson, said, "God, in his mercy, ter street, died very suddenly, and it is as

What God had intended Ann to be it Let us now suppose Mrs. Colonel Canwould be impicty to presume, but what she derson to have filled her two drawing- never again to play that hateful game.-- a jest altogether. Not one farthing of the was—what man had made her—even the rooms with her evening party, in addition You always beat me at it; and it is late; money that you think you have lost at one pression so destroy five persons. The suspected per-evil one himself must have felt pity to be- to her dinner guests; that she has left the but as I see that you have set your mind ccarte, was ever intended to be taken.— deeply sorrowful, so almost repentant in petrator of this hourrible crime is arrested! hold. This was the dark, the dangerous task of making them "comfortable"—a upon it, we will have a game or two." part o. life. She looked at her wail-ing infant—she saw it press the enfeebled, Square—to her toady, and has made her. ry high stakes, or I shall hold you craven ; thing !" ing infant-she saw it press the enfeebled, Square-to her toady, and has made her- ry high stakes, or I shall hold you craven ; thing !"

the flaceid, the milkless bosom, and she self so at her whist-table, for she has got come, you have won between fifty and The toady advanced, and exclaimed les, and you, Earnest, come with us. I summer, and she was left, as it was wished it dead. How she lived through a shrivelled, adult, roguish lawyer for her sixty pounds of me, and you limit the with ready assurance, "To be sure! it was those four years of rags and wretchedness partner, and Lady Rankles for an oppo- games to three; you must say twenty all a planned thing." she nover could tell; she was not yet nine-teen, when her misery scemed to have at-they are glittering and false as summer "Oh, no, no !" teen, when her misery seemed to have at- they are glittering and false as summer

fained its horrible climax. Her husband ice. The appearance, the all-beautiful aplay ill, in the last stage of a rapid decline. pearance of Lady Rankles was, on that the cards with eagerness. Whilst the man was dying, two parishes, memorable night, not beyond all descrip- "No, indee each of which was disputing who should tion, for I could describe it—but I will not. conscience."

"Ahl conscience ! well some consciences ess, gave her, and two or three who were both her followers conceived that the dark operation not be encumbered with his bones, refused I hold the remembrance of her as a devorelief. Things were in this state when ted lover does the miniature of his affian- that would walk through fire and water near, an invitation for a dinner party at cloud had passed from her. Here would hogs ke Ann, taking her child in her hand, pro- ced in his bosom, not to be obtruded on the without a muscle quinting, are all over her own house, for the next day, again I pause; but I have imposed a task upon Eany it ceeded through the crowda of the well-fed eye of the inquisitive, the cold, or the nerve when they come to a card table, - kissed her tormentor, and took her leave. myself, and bitter as it is, that task I will ceeded through the crowda of the well-fed eye of the inquisitive, the cold, or the nerve when they come to a card table. — Rissed her contentor, and took her reave, mysen, and once as it is, that as it will be and the gay, to seek redress at the hands worldly. There is nothing like training. Do not think that I mean to be personal, When they both found themselves a complete. Behold the three in the boundoir of the magistrate, against the inhumanity after all—for who could ever have image, the overseer. The day was bright and ined that those long, white, and delicate "Tervently hope not. If really does go know my secret? Impossible—impossible—impossible closed. She grew very pale, and delicate f the overseer. The day was bright and ined that those long, white, and delicate

unison with her mother, and, looking at better to be able to check the bakers' and -vet they recriminate. Mrs. C's. money Lady Rankles soon lost all that she had we would gladly explate upon the beauti- thus addressed her torturer. "Woman! them, I assure the reader, that she did it butchers' bills. The old housekeeper o- and good humor are fast going-there won, and a few pounds over. Play had ful, the noble character of young Earnest you think that I am going to curse you. -- with infinitely more grace than ever was pened her eyes; she, however, shut them the latter is entirely gone-that last hand ceased in the other quarters of the room. Templetower, of the entrancing felicity of God, in his unspeakable goodness, forbid !

self airs, and begged people to behave effecting the match. They said, "that it castically, "the blame of my loss, this eve- with great dignity," Mrs. Canderson, whilst privacy, in Mrs. Canderson's draw- son. My little Alfred, let us leave this genteally-had a smart dress, clean white was improper and scandalous," and they ning, lies between three parties, dame I held any of your money, I permitted you ing room; how anxiously she paces wretched woman. Do you know, Alfred, cotton stockings, and prittily sandaled dared him to do it: he did it-only to Fortune, my partner, and myself. Of the to get it back in your own manner, but I from room to room, examining that every my boy, that I am nearly forty? How shoes for Sundays-that was a foot-nev- prove that it was neither scandalous nor three, I really can go no further. I cannot risk my own thing has a bridal appearance! Lady could I have been deceived? You really Mrs. Canderson was going to reply, but money with a lady, who, every deal, by Rankles prives: two coaches and four look very, very young." You have not foot, when so many, even then, were think. Sir Peter had hist reward-she made seeing a titter upon the countenances of accident of course, drops one or two cards are at the door-everything looks brilliant. yet called me-mother!

the effect of those excellent poor laws, son, of the Honorable East India Compa- dy! "I have lost to you just fifty-three The c was a dead silence for half a min- ages, presents from her dear nephew, ternal kiss upon his check. "Now my ute. At length Mrs. Canderson came up which dear nephew begins to grow a little son," she continued, "lead me from this

dropping is not, after all, so bad as child- on these mere gauds ?"

"Why, really, I had almost made a vow My dear, dear Lady Rankles, it has been grant that it may not be appropriate !"

who unceremoniously departed. Lady she will never forget." As they procee-"Ten !" and the hostess began to shuffle Rankles returned the kiss of peace, took ded towards Mrs. Canderson's boudoir, het | WESTERN Hop TRADE .- At Louisvill "Ten I" and the hostess began to shuffle Kankles returned the kiss of peace, took ded towards Mrs. Canderson sociation, net the senson with the cards with eagerness. "No, indeed; it would go against my bursting heart, as an excellent joke, walk-conscience."

lone, one said, "Gracious God! does she the door of which the owner has carefully which

possessed by the Marquis of H----, tho' again in quiet satisfaction, upon being pen-- did the business. the ivories fell from under his aristocratic sioned out of office in excellent style.----- "Mr. Obit," says Mrs. Canderson, manual vibrations, and ashes from hers. People began to surmise; Sir Peter grew flinging down her loss with much asperity, antagonists. The loser rose--the winner cited from our old friend Ann. Now, for --I will bless you! See me here, in un-Yes, she was a beauty-tall, rounded, angry, and talked of his disinterestedness. "I think if you cannot handle parchment grew angry, and again began to feigned humility, kneel at your feet, and glowing; with eyes that could madden and Now, it was well known, that everybody better than you do pasteboard, you ought tic. She still kept her seat, and continued enjoy her youth ; the expression is correct, reverently kiss the hem of your garment; lips that could smile away that madness, who knew Sir Peter, and everybody who not, in conscience, to undertake apy man's shuffling the cards. Lady Rankle's pa- for at no time did she ever feel more for showing me this great mercy in this stopping me short of inexpiable crime .--her as a some ; she no longer sifted, marry the widow of the journeyman ba- but I never saw any one play worse." why to the attacks of the other; at length, It is the wedding morning. The cere. God bless you for it! and may he turn shoeless and stochangless—she gave her- ker, so they went the very best way about "Madam," said the lawyer, bowing sar- after one more rude than the rest, she said mony is to take place, with a splended your wicked heart. Come, my son, my

wretched place." As Alfred was leading "Why, dear aunt, expandet so long up. his mother reverently away, Mrs. Canderson called out to him, "Captain Temple-"Boy," said she, "Lady Rankles may tower, I wish not to quarrel with you," "I know you no more," was the brief

> up. The mother became happier than the wife would probably have been, the son

rant that it may not be appropriate !" certained that she died by poison. In her "Lady Rankles, I cannot say, Amen." stomach was found sufficient arsenic to "A planned thing," echoed the guests, splended us she expects, but it is one that derwanted only her mony.

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