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nowever, only her kiss was more tend-er, more loving than usual. I could not bear to go to bed without seeing Darracott once more, for I felt MADAMOF THE IVIES. BY ELIZABETH PHIPPS TRAIN. \_\_\_\_ [Copyrighted by the Author.] SYNOPSIS:

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e house. At the station she makes the quaintance of Dr. Spencer, one of the minent characters of the story.

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CHAPTER IV .-- The doctor and his

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The Ivies and its people when she is checked by her son. Dorothy discovers that Mrs. Eldredge has a son, who has been absent from home for years, and is now about to return. She also notes some strange happenings at an abandoned build-ing on the grounds, known as the "Stone House." CHAFTER V. Mrs. Mayberry's sus-picions are aroused, and she warns Dor-othy, who continues her investigations. She communicates with Franklin, an old servant, who absolutely refuses to go near the Stone House. Mrs. Eldredge's son, Darracott Chester, arrives at home. CHAFTER V. On returning from a

CHAPTER VI. On returning from a visit, accompanied by Darracott, Dorothy and he are startled by strange sounds coming from the Store House, and proceed to investigate.

CHAPTER VII. On forcing an en-trance to the house they find that Mis. Mayberry's daughter Alice, who is insane and has been missing for years, is confined there. She turns out to be the wife of Darracott Chester.

Ed. Colbert, dutched the edge of her mistress's gown in her nerveless, trembling

> "I may think of that, but should you? hould you, her mother, think of wrong fone a stranger, when your child, tricken and suffering, calls to you?"

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seeing parracot once nore, for i fer my cheeks, and to us a dided a flush com-bile to others, his-suffering that night fully equalled, if it had not largely ex-ceeded, that of the two bereaved moth-ers. There was in my heart a passion-ate sympathy for this man whom Fate end ered to be parallely, a vesaring desired to be parallely a parallely a vesaring desired to be parallely a the parallely a vesaring desired to be a vesaring the parallely a vesaring t te sympathy for this man whom Fate ed nurreeny, existing my manare nad used so harshly; a yearning desire | chief about the smarting member. "I o do something for his comfort, some hing that might testify in ever so slight a degree to the depth and sin-thought—Oh, how tree you do look." thing that might testify in ever so slight a degree to the depth and sin-cerity of my pity and regret for the illsage he had received, and which I

After all, concern for him was far After an, concern for him was tar more predominant in my mind than the meaner consideration of self, and it quickly vanquished my wounded and abashed self-consciousness. I never had seen a man look so utterly hever had seen a man look so uttering fagged and spent as he did just then. When the mask does happen to fall from contained and reserved natures, the revelation comes like a shock upon those who have never chanced before to see the same counternance an

naturel. He paid no heed to my ejaculation. I saw that his rapid glance had taken in the details of my preparations for his refreshment, and, though he made no allusion to them just then, he looked at me an instant in quite a wonderful way, that somehow made me glad I was just who I was, even if another woman was his wife. "Let me see you: hand, please." he WAS OBLIGED TO FAN IT WITH THE

"Let me see you hand, please," he then said, in quite a matter-of-fact way coming forward until he stood close to me. His own hands were in his pockets and he did not withdraw them or offer to tcuch mine, as I un



'WHEW!" HE WHISTLED, AS HE PHERED DOWN AT IT. wrapped it and held it up for his in

spection "Whew!" he whistled, as he peered down at it. "A vile burn. Wait a moment, Miss Lothrop, will you? I'll get some soda for it." He was turning away as he spoke, but J desitest hier burners and the spoke. Franklin

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but I detained him. "Oh, it is nothing!" I said. "I am going to my room at once, and will put some vaseline on it. It really doesn't amount to anything at ali. Good night." Good-night.'

household had retired. To night I re-solved to take a liberty. Thinking that it would be some time before he would have finished seeing after the proper establishment of his wife, and expecting also that he would be somewhat detained in Madam's room when he should go to say his customary good-night to her. I dared to take advantage of the interval for the purpose of invading the den, in order to see that the fire was burning cheerfully, and to lay a tray-cloth up-Good-night." "Nonsense! It amounts to a good deal." he said. "Vaseline's no good. Soda will take the fire out at once. Wait." I did not dare offer any further obsection. For his tone seemed to show some annoyance, and I thought it un-fair to harass him any more that night. Therefore I held my peace and seated myself to await his return. But be-fore he come my heart release new

myser to awart his return. But be-fore he came my heart misgave me. I was overborne with the thought of the unconventionality of my situation, and I began to attain enormous and harrid proportions of indecency in my sight. What, I reflected, would Madam say at my being closeted with her son (a married man toob at that hear of the married man, too!) at that hour of the light! I could not bear the thought. I ros

hurriedly to my feet and made for the door. My decision had come too late, however, for already 1 saw Darracott approaching from the further end of the hall. I summoned all my reso-

by me. I am sure my face must have been mahogany-colored. The close proxim-ity to the leaping flames had scorched my cheeks, and to this artificially-ac-He had by this "me possessed him self again of my ! tnd. and was hold ing it very gently in his own, gazing ghtfully down "Our minds fra: e similar thoughts oncerning differe t objects," he said, ad shook out the scantiful web. "I will not have i ; really, I will not!"

exclaimed vehe sently, and would have drawn away my hand a second time, but he made i: tenderly a prisoner with his other fingers. "But I will-and therefore you

"But I will-and therefore you shall." he returned. "Miss Lothrop, you are acting foolishly. Don't you see I want to give you a memento as a slight acknowledgement of my grati-tude to you? Let rue wrap your hand in the rarest possession I have, and even then I shall only have hinted at the recognition of the debt I owe you for your devotion to me and mine." I struggled no longer. I saw that he ready wished to give me this priceless article, and it seemed tactless to make further protest. But I insisted upon first throwing my own handkerchief over the plaster into which the soda had now formed, thereby protecting the challee veil from injury. His ef-forts for my relief were quite con-cluded, and I bade him good-night. He laughed as I did so. "Now, what a meaningless phrase has that which you have just uttered come to be?" he said. "Much use has killed all its significance for us. You speak it as casually as if it were a matter of course that the wish it em.

"Now, what as meaningless phrase has that which you have just uttered come to be?' he stid. "Much use have killed all its significance for us. You speak it as casually as if it were a matter of course that the wish it en bodies were to be fulfilled; and yet Miss Lothrop, you can scarcely for a moment believe that a man who has just received beneath his roof the shattered remains of a wife who has disgraced and deserted him could by any chance pass a 'good-night'-now, could you?" It seemed to me that his question Was only a means of prolonging the lay. I that, as sha h...d certain matters to oc-that, as sha h...d certain matters to oc-unit five of clock, when she begred that I would come to her boundoir for the a, as usual. Franklin also inform disgraced and deserted him could by any chance pass a 'good-night'-now, could you?" It seemed to me that his question was only a means of prolonging the lay.

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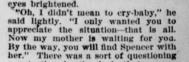
to the half. As I passed out I lifted my eyes an instant to his. "You have not promised to stay," I suggested, wistfully. attribute towards me was wholly with-out justification. She has herself ad-mitted, and she will doubtless so in-form you, with boundless self-reproach (for shy<sup>k</sup> has a noble disposition to freely acknowledge the few faults that mar a well-nigh perfect charac-ter, that accident was the thief that robbed me of my natural heritage;

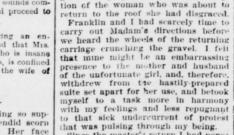
"You have not promised to stay," I suggested, wistfully. "I never intended anything else," ac replied, with marked self-disgust. "I allowed you to remain under the mis-conception for my own selfish ends," "But-misconception? "I persisted. "Did you not say good-bye?" "Intending only to convey its literal meaning, God be with you," " he re-turned. "And now, again, and ever again, good-bye?" I echoed the word and passed on my wway. At ac first bend in the stak-case I looked whind me. The portiere still drawn aside and I saw a dark, almost indistinguishable figure still standiag beneath its folds. The next day I found mys-sif aban-doned to my "wn society until quite late in the afternoon. I was scarcedy dressed when Franklin bronght me that, as she a.-d ecertain matters to oc-cupy her attention during the day. I

shattered remains of a wife who has disgraced and deserted him could by any chance pass a 'good-night'-now, could you?' It seemed to me that his question was only a means of prolonging the in-terview, and this 1 had no mind for so I moved towards the door and made my answer standing on the threshold. "No, I could not. I will change my valediction, Auf wiederschen. "I would rather have it a 'blentot, "he said. Then, as I smiled and nodd ed, he remarked quickly: By the way Miss Lothrop, how much do you know of the true meaning of this occurrence which has taken place this evening thas my mother seen fit to enlighter you concerning our family history?" "No." "And you are thinking me, douth left, are you not?" I moute the winder or eply. I felt the subject a moment, I have something to say to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps, if I say if, I may notwithstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps with the the subject the perhaps with the dent product the subject the perhaps with thimstanding other things, have a to you. Perhaps wif

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Tess a monster, to have allenated the subject and the result was a conclusion that for you not?"
 I made no reply. 1 felt the subject and the result was a conclusion that the result reason of chromestance had been remedial of disruption, and that the source nor concommittal. Come back a moment. I have something to say to you rehave, if I say it. I say it. I say it. If any participation in the occurrence of the past night warranted in the recall of the friend.
 To you. Perhaps, if I say it. I say it. If any participation in the occurrence so the past night warranted in the recall of the friend.
 Mu women seem to shrink from met Why are you afraid, "I said, advancing again to the rors. "Mr. Chester, and under all the relation to the root. "Mr. Chester, and under all the role of the past night warranted in the relation in the old man's face again any time and under all the role assure? I hat she had met allo to his hand.
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 Twes, he said, 'you look tired. Good must be been seen for?"
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consideration that sought to dominate

Since the master's return I had nevel Since the master's return I had hever been in the pretty morning-room in which Madam and I had been wont formerly to take our meals. Franklin had informed me that in olden times it had been dedicated to Mr. Chester's

it and been dedicated to an consisters use, and that be would again occupy it as a sort of den or sanctum. I knew that the greater portion of his time was spent there, and that it was his habit to linger in it long after the rest of the household had retired. To night I re-

"I do long for her," she wailed miser-dy; "but what can I do? Where can take her?"

CHAPTER VIII.

I have never seen anything so sup

I have hever seen anything so sup-erb as she was in her splendid scorn of this weaker character. Her face fairly glowed with the passion of maternity, and her words rang on the air like the vibration of hot metal be-ing beaten into shape. When she paus-ed the poor shamed creature whom she addressed shunk again to her side and ed slunk again to her side and

"Ab, Madam, Madam, think how she

CHAPTER L --- The scene of the story is n the village of Eldon, at an old home-"The Ivies," about which there is Dorothy Lothro -

ntance of the housekeeper, Mrs. May-y, a curious character who has lived, the lives a great many years. On one borothy's visits to the village a sudden

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"There is no occasion for gratitude, nother. A man has no choice in a latter of plain duty." As she and I mounted the steps, she ghed so heavily that it made my heart che for her unknown trouble. But I ras tongue-tied by ignorance and and only manifest my sympathy by ifusing surpassing tenderness into the instrations I was allowed to perform or her, in place of Mayberry, whom a would not see again that hight, she aid. When I had helped her to un-ress and had made her comfortable, ha bade me throw a wrapper about er and send Franklin to her, as she nd send Franklin to her, as she

Mada and go to say sood-night to her, I dara are advantage of the interval for marke advantage of the interval for food the marke in the sight of good cheer.
We have been potent cause for such a brief instant to waylay the marke in the hall before he should enter the room and solace that miserable hear and to mark advantage advantage of the interval for marker attempts to such a brief in the being chat broke up all for the marker in the hear face marker in the hear face marker in the hear face marker in the start. Her start way is the marker in the hear face marker in the start. Her start is the marker in the hear face marker in the start is the marker in the hear face marker in the hear face marker in the marker in the hear face marker in the marker interval in the marker in the marker in the ance been potent cause for such a bok. And yet-Ma.dam! As she wait d, glancing thus irresolutely about he mask of repression settied ovc-ils features, cellpsing self-betrays He took a few uteps forward, an ouched his mother's arm, significan; y, with his strong right hand. Th one sent a thycil coursing through per being .hat broke up all its ley self-cestraint. Her stately head drooped ger face worked with emotion, and her beautiful eyes melted and grew bright with unshed tears. With a quick, Daracott's hand from her arm and lasped it within her own. "My son has bilden you bring your faughter again beneath hisroof. Have you or I a right to express inclina-fon or hesitation in a matter wherein als authority is as absolute as his renerosity and clemency are uncom

rou or I a right to express inclina-don or hesitation in a matter wherein als authority is as absolute as his generosity and elemency are uncom-mon and noble?" For a brief instant, I, watching the man with a passionate interest that aid no kinship to life curlesity, saw i flash of brightness light up his eyes. The next moment his hand was with hrawn from the detaining clasp, and lis businessike tones eliminated all tragic element from the interview. "My mother must not remain here, have taken my mother and Miss tothrop home I will return for you." My dear lady turned quickly to him us he spoke, and I flushed with pleas-ne as she said, with unmistakable ffection in her volce: "My little Dorothy! Where is she, ny son?" I went forward, and took her hand eiderly in mine. Her fingers closed agerly over my own, as if she found is spirits. In the spirit lamp I found in the yantry was nowhere forthcoming. In yan y son?"

b) some indering the main of the second second with which to the indering the main of the second second second second second agerly over my own, as if she found on the contact. Mayberry, in the presence of such magnanimity as ad been shown her, was, for once, too verawed for lachrymose indulgence, with an indistinguishable murmur she noved away from our little group and pook up her station by the side of the panse girl, who had been watching the many form our little group and pook up her station by the side of the same girl, who had been watching the withes creature gave a sudden cry at would have sprung forward to pan belonging to the useless lamp with

what as we were about to turn hway. In a would have sprung forward to fadam's side, had not Mayberry fallen tadam's side, had not Mayberry fallen tadam's side, had not Mayberry fallen the site of arm. I felt Madam hudder, and as she turned engerly wards the door, as if desiring to es-ape. I anticipated her wish and led to from the dark and horrible den. No word was spoken as we drove one; but as we got out of the ear-from the dark and horrible den. No word was spoken as we drove age and were about to enfer the ouse, Madam turned to Darracott. "My son-my dear son." I heard her try, with a heart-breaking tremble in er volce. "I thank you." But there was no corresponding motion in the tone in which he re-led: "There is no occasion for gratitude, nother. A man has no choice in a water set labe dury."

ural impulse which we share with the brutes, and which is probably a trait

rr and send Franklin to her, as she ished to give instructions relating to e disposal of Mayberry's daughter. "T shall back a fierce struggle to inberited from a common ancestor, "T shall back a fierce struggle to inberited limit and applied to it the simple salve which instinct directs us inberited limit and applied to it the simple salve which instinct directs us to resort to fipon such consistent point which my son has not thought to contend. My son-my dear son!" it repeated caressingly. "Dorothy, al I not tell you he was of heroic wall? But I forget. How must all ne sad mystery of these events define add to you? You must be taught to nderstand them, even if it costs me adf to you? You must be taught to derstand them, even if it costs me mething of your regard to enlighten on proposite the door upon which I in find strength to tell you. It is your as my child-my comforter.' My tears moistened her hands as she of my methods, and quite forgotten She made no comment upon thew. adf to you? You must be taught to grievous injury with the steaming con-tents. Turning quickly in the direc-tents. Turning quickly in the direc-stanneling of those other wounds with our handkerchiet. Yourhand, please." "Nonsense!" I cri-d. "I will not low pour to soil oprecious a thing by such a service!"

lution. I would be firm and decide It was too late for me to be philander-ing down here, and no persuasion should avail to make me remain. I proceeded cooly on my way. As we

came up with each\*other he accosted "Where are you going?" he asked, still with that annoyed expression in

his voice. "To my room," I replied. "Nonsense! What for?" Now, it is a difficult thing to explain motion, and his eyes were alight with

Now, it is a dimentituing to explain to a man your ideas of the unfitness of remaining alone and unchaperoned with him. It seems to offer sugges-tions which you fear will make you appear either ridiculous or expectant in his sight. I heating. his sight. I hesitated.

his sight. I hesitated. "I suppose you are tired out with all our demands upon you," he continued. "Well, I don't wonder. Just come back a moment, however. It won't take but a minute to apply this soda, and then you shall go. Really, Miss Lothrop, I beg of you to allow me to do this much for you; it will afford us both infinite relief." I held out my hand. "Can't you put it on here?" I asked. He shook his head.

He shook his head.

"No; I must have some water to moisten it with. Why, what is the matter?" he went on, quickly and with sudden suspicion; "you are not afraid of me, Miss Lothrop, are you? The events of this evening have not mad You suspicious of me?" His face had flushed hotly, and he had drawn himself up a little proudly. I would have gone through flery flames joy. He drew me a little nearer by

with him after that speech." "Suspicious of you." I repeated, and laughed. "Come, Mr. Chester." "Ah! that's better." he said, and we "Why-nothing," I stammered weak ly; but there were tears of bitter dis

returned to the morning room. The place did look cosys and cheery as we entered it. Its intrinsic beauty was considerable, and to this had beer

appointment in my eyes, and I was forced to drop my bead that he might not see them. He let fall my hand with a short lawach with a short laugh. "Exactly!" he exclaimed. "That is with a short laugh. "Exactly!" he exclaimed, "That is just what my going away means to every living soul is this world-noth-ing." I can only hope that there may be was considerable, and to this had been added much extraneous adornment in the way of rare trophles of foreign travel. The master of the house had evidently thought to ameliorate this enforced and humdrum monotony, some excuse made for my next action on the ground of my over-excited con-dition, for I had been through a great strain during the past few hours; else my conduct would seem unpardonable. When those last words, uttered in a ione that was indescribably knowledge has which was so uncongenial to his nat-ure, by surrounding himself with me-mentoes of a wider and more varied manner of living. The air was just touched with that arbina of good to-bacco which is wont to prevade the atmosphere of most bachelors' quartbacco which is wont to prevade the atmosphere of most bachelors' quart-ers, and which, to my nostrils at least, is a comfortable and delicious fra-grance; and the fire on the hearth-my fire— was leaping and cracking ac-cording to my fondest wishes. The little meal, spread temptingly upon the table, added the final toych to a very attractive nicture of still life. and heart-sick, fell from Darracotta ips, I could not conquer their ap-peal to my love and sympathy. I did not stop to reason as to maldenliness ar propriety. My spirit was rent and torn with compassion and solicitude for this man who had been so long a wanderer and wayfarer, and who was again, I thought, about to be driv-on farth from the comfort and endiv-

table, added the final touch to a very attractive picture of still-life. Darracott conducted me to a position where the rays from an exculsitely-shaded bronze rending-lamp would fail upon my hand, and, adding a little water to the soda he had brought, mixed a paste with which he conted the scalded spot. Then I offered him my handkerchief to wrap round it, but he refused to avail himself of it. "It is too had to press all your ward-robe into dispensary use," he said, "Wait a moment." He went to a cabinet, and after a brief search returned with a square of such linen as I had hitherto but dreamt of. This was bordered with lace that en forth from the comfort and shelter of his own home. I looked bravely up into his face, letting him read all the passionate regret in mine, and held out the hand he had dropped, be-merchingly.

This was bordered with lace that alries might have woven from cob-rebs. The hue of both lace and linen ras of that mellow richness that only a obtainable from the palette of time. "What is that?" I exclaimed with

ted breath, for I have a reverence r all exquisite things. 'A chalice vell." 'What are you going to do with It?" "Bind it upon a wound gained in my

rvice. I withdrew my hand before he could

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"GOOD-BYE?" I CRIED OUT.

one that was indescribably hopeless and heart-sick, fell from Darracott's

nttle travening-clock many struck hve silvery chimes, and I was about to leave my room, Franklin reappeared with a request from his master that I would give him a few moments' in-terview in the morning-room. J des-patched a message to Madam to inform I started, and there must have been actual terror in my face. Without meaning to do so, in my sudden alarm patched a message to Madam to inform her why myattendance upon her would be somewhat delayed, and with beat-ing heart and wondering spirit de-scended the wide staircase to Mr. Chester's sanctum. clutched his fingers as if I would hold him back from leaving me. "Good-bye? I cried out. "You are not going away ag-in." His face was all aglow with sudden

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swift gesture, as my hand lay in his. "And if I am—what then?" he asked, holding his breath for an answer.

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An army officer tells that in one engagement there were numbers of young fellows who smelt powder for the first time, and **X** is not surprising that at times the recruits were a triffe material.

else than the actual sacrince of your girlish innocence and purity." He paused a moment, turning rest-lessly away from me and fingering in an embarrassed fashion a Japanese idol that stood upon the mantelpiece. Before I could frame a reply he went on. "However," said the old officer, "I "However," said the old officer, "I only remember one-case of actual flight, and when I think of it I can scarcely refrain from laughing. "In the very thick of a hotly contest-d ongarement one of my own men

on: "Miss Lothrop, you have in yo heart accused me of injustice and coldness even of cruelty, towards my mother. I cannot bear that you should listen to her history and mine without first correcting the false impression which you labor, and preparing you to de beine function ed engagement one of my own men threw down his rifle and bolted.

threw down his rife and bolted. "Here, you coward,' I roared after him, 'what are you running for?' "Without so much as a glance over his shoulder, the fellow replied: 'Be-

cause I'm in a desprit hurry, an' I can't

### Wasted Sweetness.

Wasted Sweetness. O, Edward," she cried, "do you know what? I dreamed last night that you had told me to go down town and buy that beautiful \$27 hat I spoke of the other day."

"Well thát proves it," he replied. "Proves what, dearest?"

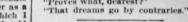
"There is something in this lititle fellow I like," said an appreciative visitor to a young hopeful he was trot-

"Now," said the boy, "how did you know I had swallowed a quarter?"

New Form of an Old Question "So you wish to marry my daughter?

"Yes, sit." "Well, can you support her in that condition of idleness to which she has always been accustomed?"

out the hand he had dropped, be-seechingly. "You are wrong-you are wrong!" I cried. "It is not true that no one takes heed of your going or coming Your mother rejoices to have you with her, and I\_\_\_" I had the grace to pause a moment. "You?" I wonder that that look in his eyes did not. "I repeated; "I also would have you remain here in your own that the second with short-comings which do not belong to him. May I bore you with a few words ex-planatory of that fills attitude of mine which I know you harshly con-demn?" I bowed, and he continued: "For ever since my birth my mother 



# Knew His Love of Money