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CHAPTER XXI .-- Continued.

only remedy is to break it off as speedily

He stopped short, surprised at last. He

"You prefer lifelong misery to a passing

"I prefer keeping my word to breaking

"You are not keeping it: you are only

keeping the shell of it. You are keeping

it in the letter only—the spirit is already

"He does not know this. He never

"How are you to keep it from him?

"Befooling him! Hartland -

"How cruel, how wicked you are! How

-how can you-how dare you speak to

me like that? And you,-you know all;

you know how hard I had to fight for him,

and how I had to stand up for him before

--- "Only when I thought your heart

"What more could you have

--- "Take care," said Hartland, soft-

overheard," pointing to some garddners at

work near. "Come back this way," and

he led her again into the narrow hedged-in

first you have had a thorny path to tread,

unaided. But you seemed so strong and

resolute, and so entirely able to cope with

--- "The task? I don't understand.

to one's family. Forgive me for speaking

"We are getting no nearer the point,"

said Hartland, suddenly, "and time is

passing-we must not waste it in idle

bear it myself, if I were only let alone.

say nothing, and see nothing. And after

to see? I am not, perhaps, recklessly and

slaugh of scorn. "I have found out that

-that Major Gilbert is but a man and not

kind. He is quite good enough for me.

Do hear me, do not be angry with me,

although you own-yes, you do, you have

"Why need it be a farce?" but

vehemence.

--- "Oh, the plainer the better."

was engaged. Had I known more-

quite, quite as much as I did myself. No

one really knew---"

on befooling him through all life-

"I will never break it off."

"You will not ?" he said.

"Not while I live."

at the suggestion.

humiliation?"

broken."

shall know it."

"He is too good for you to play fast and | place; but since it has taken place, the loose with."

"Hartland, how dare you?" A sudden as possible."

"Oh. I dare because there is no one else," said he, indifferently. "Your father now knew that he had meant her to snatch will not---"

"Certainly he will not. My father never spoke to me in my life as you have done."

"Just so. Neither would your aunt."

"No indeed."

"Nor any one else-now?"

"Somebody must," said Lord Hartland,

doggedly. "For his sake, I suppose?"

"For his sake, yes. I am, of course, sorry also for you, but-,"

"It is natural to put him first." "Because he has done no wrong," main- And even if you do keep it, are you to go tained Hartland, looking her steadily in the face.

She was silenced. A full minute passed, Hartland." She was choking with passion. and neither would or could be the first to break it. At length, as often happens in such cases, both burst forth at once.

"The fact is, Rosamund-" "I must say, Hartland-"

"Well?" said he, yielding precedence. everybody; and how I-I,-oh, you must "You-you might have spoken sooner." remember that dreadful scene !- and there

"Oh." This was hardly what he had were many, many more that you know expected, and it must be owned he was nothing of, besides that one! Mamma somewhat taken aback by it. "Well, I was so determined against him. Aunt suppose I might," he said slowly, at last. Julia was against him too; and my friends,

"You have been on the watch, you have I think that every one of them was the played the spy," continued his cousin, same. Only I-and-only you were for excitedly clasping and unclasping her him," hands, and drawing quick short breaths as "Nay, Rosamund, I never-" she spoke. "How, then, how has it hap- "You never what? Do you pened that while you have been so clear- mean now to say that you never encoursighted and penetrating, you have not said aged me, never told me I was right, and a word, nor-nor-"

"I have not played the spy, Rosamund, or I might have done so. I only saw, when the light was forced upon me; I only knew, when ignorance became im- known? You knew as much as any one; possible."

"You mean by-by-"

"Your face, your voice, your manner, your everything. You are a changed ly touching her arm; "do not let us be creature. You are ungracious, sullen, bitter-you who used to be-"

"Never mind what I used to be." "When he is by, I could almost call you path from which, unconsciously, they had

"It is a pity he does not find me so." "At other times you are sunk in have beset you, Rosamund," he proceeded melancholy, or-or else-"

"Or else?-what else?" "As I found you just now," said he, in and you have had to tread it alone and

rather a low voice. There was another pause.

"And all the rest," said Rosamund, the task you had set yourself--" presently. "How is it that you alone have perceived what all besides have been | What task ?" blind to? You have been so clever— "It must always be a task to run counter where have their wits been ?"

"You may well ask that. I ask it of in plain words, but-" myself continually."

"You mean that I have done nothing

"Not much, certainly."

"It is false," cried Rosamund passion- retrospect; it is no use looking back-all ately. "I have tried and tried, no one that can now be done-" thence to McKee's, at Little River, and knows how much,"-she bit her lip, and "Nothing can now be done-nothing Wednesday night at James McNairn's, St. wrenched her hands apart, furious with nothing Oh, why did you come here to herself for an admission so inadvertent. try me, to tempt me?" cried Rosamund, "You have no right to force this out of bitterly. "I never asked your help, I Branch; Friday at Kingston, remaining me; your cruel accusations oblige me to- never went to you with my story-I could

> "You have told me nothing I did not The others are far kinder than you. They know before," said he, quietly.

> "You think Major Gilbert is not all," defiantly,-"after all, what is there "Of that you must be a better judge wildly in love, as the saying is," with a

"You think he is being duped?" "Ask that of yourself. There again a hero. He does very well. He is very

vou should know best."

"And this is the friend of the injured What is all this stir about, then, I should man, who now interposes on his behalf," like to know? And who are you, that "this is the benevolent bystander, who and again rising sentiment choked her utcannot stand by and see 'a good fellow' terance. played 'fast and loose' with! How brave "If we go on like this we shall never of you, my cousin! How noble! It is a come to an end," exclaimed Hartland, pity, however, the effect is somewhat with what seemed but the natural immarred by over-caution. He marches patience of a man under feminine circumboldly enough to the attack, but directly locution, though a close observer might it comes to close quarters he knows nothing have dimly suspected another emotion and give an opinion on nothing. Oh, the struggling beneath. "Rosamund, look diffidence, the modesty of some people! how the darkness is creeping on. I can-Pray, Lord Hartland, accept my humble not wait-nor can you. We must not be commendations. I cannot sufficiently longer here together, and this may be my applaud the course you have chosen to last, very last chance of seeing you alone.

If she had hoped to taunt him into You say you mean to marry Major Gilberl, recrimination, the effort failed.

"Applaud or not, as you please," said owned that you no longer love him. You Hartland, bluntly. "I expected you'd be may do this thing, Rosamund-I suppose angry, and I suppose I ought to say you there is no one to prevent your doing it have a right to be. All the same, do for but remember that when you have fulheaven's sake, Rosamund, take my words your promise as it now stands, you have to heart, and put an end to this-this mis- only just begun the horrible farce---" take, as soon as you can."

"How dare you speak so? How dare in spite of herself she was awed by his you call it a 'mistake'?"

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