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he was conversing.
"Well, well, Alice," said the gentleman, while something like a sigh escaped him. "I hope you will enjoy it as much as you expect to

"I hope so, Cousin Jonathan; but tell me," she added, as if the idea had just struck her, 'why are not you going with us?" "You will not miss me; besides I have letters to write this evening." He smiled as he added: "What would an old fellow like me do at a

"What a silly thing you are," said Alice, giving her cousin a saucy look out of her blue At this moment a tall, hearty looking old gentleman entered the room, evidently enjoying some joke much to bis satisfaction. He had a

parcel in his hand.

"See, Miss Alice," said he, "here's a queer sort of parcel come for you. Can you imagine what it is? I'm sure I can't."

The young girl unfolded the paper and brought to light an exquisite bouquet of flowers.
"How lovely! How very lovely!" she ex claimed. "Who could have sent them?" She glanced at her cousin as she spoke.
"Not Jonathan, I'm sure," said her father 'He's old enough to have more sense."

"Did you send them?" asked Alice, drawing nearer to her cousin. "I-no. Is it likely? See, here is a card attached to the papers."
She took it up and read aloud-"With Captain Hay's Compliments."

"Very polite-very proper-very kind!" said her father, rabbing his hands. "Very kind, in-Jonathan walked to the window. Mr. Leyman—that was the elder gentleman's name—took his daughter's hand, and turning her round with pardonable fatherly pride, examined her appearance with evident satisfac-

"Not amiss, is she, Jonathan?" he said to the younger man. "No-that is-what were you saying? Ah, yes, Miss Alice; yes, very pretty and becomding a letter, and hardly litted bis

byes from it to give the reply. Yet his voice slightly trembled. Alice blushed.

said Jonathan, again briefly glancing from his ness. ways cross and ill tempered.

Mr. Leyman went out to look at the carriage. "Good night," said the young lady. Jonathan Warring raised his head.

will be a merry one." For a moment the hand lingered in his. "If you were only going, Cousin Jonathan."
"But I am not," he answered, almost harshy; "so good night."

Alice went away silently, but turning at the door to say "Good night" once more, Mr. Warring imagined he saw tears glistening through the veil which concealed her face.

He started to his feet, but directly sat down again to his papers.
"Pshaw!" he exclaimed; "she makes a fool of me. A man of my age! Ridiculous!" and his pen scratched away faster than ever.

Hour after hour passed away. One, two, three o'clock struck, and Mr. Warring was still

There was a stir below stairs; then a sound of bustle and laughing. He heard Alice's voice and her father's, and then another voice that he did not recognize. They came up stairs-Alice. her father, and a tall, handsome young man in the U. S. military uniform.

"Mr. Warring, Captain Hay," said Mr. Ley-

man. And than the trio began to talk about the ball, and apparently to forget the writer at Jonathan Warring's heart grew full of bitterness. Alice once glanced toward him with a pale face and compressed lips. But it was but for a moment. Her eyes grew brighter, her laugh more joyous, and Captain Hay thought he had never seen her look so lovely.

After a while the Captain took his leave,

Mr. Leyman quitted the room with the young "I am sorry you eat up for us," said Alice to her cousin. "You look quite tired out."
"Thank you; but I do not feel so."

"It must have been a long, lonely evening "Not at all. I was too busy. Good night."
"Good night, cousin. How do you like Cap-"I think him a very handsome man."
"Yes, and he is so very fascinating."
"I can well fancy it."

"Good night,"

"She ran a few steps up stairs and returned and re-entered the room.
"Cousin Jonathan will you tell me if you hink I looked well to-night?" "To me you looked just as you always do."
"But many people said that I—I—I—"
"Looked lovely? No doubt. And as plenty of others told you so, there is all the less need for me to do it. Now good night. Go to bed, or you'll not look so lovely to-morrow, I can

"He sees that I care for him," she cried, par sionately, "and shuns me." "He wants to guard you against yourself," whispered pride. Several weeks had passed away. Philadel-

When Alice reached her own room she burst

without reason, for the name of her admirers seemed to be "Legion," and yet she sometimes appeared to be meiancholy.

One day she was sitting alone in the drawing-

The weary look was gone in a moment. It The weary look was gone in a moment. It was a very unusual thing for her cousin to offer to amuse her, and it made her color come.

"I have a good deal to say to you, Alice," he said, taking a seat by her side. He took up the book she had lain aside.

"Who sent you this? Which of your adoring swains?"

"I got it from Mr. Thurlow."

"I got it from Mr. Thurlow." "Alice, did you never hear the old song-

'Yanny had lovers so many' She knew not on whom to decide,' "Hush, Jonathan. If you talk like that I shall send you away." He took her hand and held it in both of hi

"My dear little cousin, will you take a word of advice from one who wishes nothing but what is for your good?" Alice neither spoke nor withdrew her hand. "You are very young, and very lovely," con-tinued Mr. Warring. "You have no mother to guide and advise you, and as mistrees of to guide and advise you, and deep respon-your father's house, have many deep responsibilities resting upon you. Yours is a trying position, though I am sure you always wish to

He paused, for Alice was sobbing and laid her face on the pillow of the sofa. "Do not think me presuming, dear Alice," he went on. "We are friends. We shall always

Her fingers closed on his. "Remember, then, Alice, that you give no ground for censure. Above all, take care that you don't make others unhappy or trifle with affection, which, if true, is more precious than aught else in the world. You know what I mean, Alice?"

"Never raise hopes you do not mean to ful-She was sobbing in a low, subdued manner that went to his heart.

"You are not angry with me, Alice?" She slightly shook her head.
"We old bachelors," he continued, with a
wan smile, "are privileged persons. Nay, Alice, you must not sob in this way. I only meant to give you a word of caution before "Go!" cried Alice, starting to her feet.

are not going to leave me?"
Mr. Warring was not prepared for this. He hardly dared trust himself to look upon her, as she stood before him with clasped hands and quivering lips. "Yes, I am going back to Boston. I have been here too long," he added, half to himself; but she had heard the words. "Too long! Then you have been dull and

lonesome with us, and now you are going? O, what shall I do? What shall we do without "Nay, Alice, you will hardly miss me. It is not as if I were a young man, and could be more companionable with you; besides, I am needed at Boston, and — But, Alice, do not cry. I can not bear it—dear child——'Child!" The word recalled her to herself.

It was better to hear it, though, from him. Yes! He thought of her as a child, and she had dared to love him as a woman. Perhaps he knew it, and scorned her for doing so! She dashed the tear drops from her eyes, and endeavored to choke down her sobs.

"You are going to Boston?" she said. he told her how he had tried to win the confidence and love of his employees, and how he hoped and believed he had succeeded, and how he took care to secure their comfort, even in trifles, to the utmost extent of his ability, and as he spoke she felt, as she had often felt before, that to be his wife would be Hair Restorative in use. I tried one bottle, and "Please, papa," she said, "don't ask Mr. comfort, even in triffes, to the utmost extent of Warring to admire me. You disturb him from his ability, and as he spoke she felt, as she had lis letter; besides—I'm sore—it doesn't—that often felt before, that to be his wife would be to her the hamplest position on earth; but be to her the happiest position on earth; but "Of course, my opinion can be of no value," she thought she was unworthy of such happi-

Mr. Warring-though she called him cousin "Never mind him, Alice," said her father, —was but a very distant connection of her fancying he saw his daughter's lirs quiver with father's; but she had known him since she was disappointment. disappointment; "these old bachelors are al- a child, and the name of Cousin Jonathan givways cross and ill tempered.

A servant entered to say that the carriage was at the door.

"Alice's maid appeared with a cloak, and love him as a woman can love but once. The very fact that he was so many years older than her, had blinded her at first to the real nature of her feelings; but when she met with that love standing beside him, holding out her small, white-gloved hand. He took it, saying—

"Good night. I hope, Alice, your first ball was; and bitter, very bitter were the pangs of hopeless love and wounded pride in her young

hopeless love and wounded pride in her young "When do you leave?" said Alice, as he rose to quit the room.

To-morrow," he replied, without looking at That night they had no engagement, and Alice made tea for them in the drawing room, "My darling, you are not well?" said Mr. Leyman, taking her hand in hig. Mr. Warring looked earnestly at her. A slight crimson spot burnt on each check, but there was a livid circle round her eyes, and her

came over him-a thought that made his pulse beat wildly and his hand to tremble.

"Could it be so?" He tried to ask himself a uestion, but he dared not answer it. The servant entered-"Captain Hay in the library." "Why did you not ask him up here?" said

Mr. Leyman, sharply. "He wishes to see you alone, sir."
Alice had risen and walked to the window where she stood, holding the window frame with both hands. Her face was deadly pale. Mr. Leyman had quitted the room. House That explained all. "She knew of Captain Hay's purpose; hence her agitation," thought Mr. Warring, and he covered his face with his

hands to shut the sight of her from before him

Presently he rose.

"Alice, I shall go to my room. I have letters to write, and—I—I—might be in the promising to call in the morning and bring way."

Alice some books he was sure she would like. She turned to him with such a mute expres sion of anguish that he uttered an exclamation of horror and surprise. She stretched out her hands to him as if in wild entreaty. He sprang to her side. Her hands were cold and lifeless as those of a corpse.

"Alice, darling," he murmured, "do not look in that way! All will be well. You will, you must be happy. God bless you, and—

> He hurried from her presence, unable to bear it a moment longer. The morning came; the morning of a day fraught with deep interest to Alice Leyman. The day that must part her from Mr. Warring and decide the fate of Captain Hay-for Alice

> i jShe came down to the breakfast-room looking almost like a living statue—so calm, so pale. Mr. I ayman was not down yet, but a figure stood at the window. "Good morning, Cousin Jonathan."
> He started at the sound of her voice.
> "Good morning, Allee. I have a lovely day
> for my journey."
> "Very. When do you go?"
> "In an hour."

had petitioned for time to think.

"Then I must give you your breakfast."
"Yeu shall; but first I have a word to say to
you. Nay, dear, do not be afraid. It is to be no lecture this time. 'Tis only to tell you how deeply, how fervently I pray that the lot in life phia was very gay, and Alice had been to many parties and balls, and few young ladies had been more admired. It was whispered that she was somewhat inclined to flirting, and certainly not the small band he held in his own. She raised her calm, sad eyes to his face. "And you care this much for me, Cousin Jonathan?

mther and Russer Belting. Iace Leather, Hose and blos.

One day she was sitting alone in the drawingroom, listlessly reading a novel, when her Cousin Jonathan entered the room. He was much occupied and she had seen but little of him of late.

Noting her languid, weary look, he offered to ing one of his to her heart, she went on to

eak-vehemently, passionately-all her as-

She would have spoken more, but something in his face arrested her. His voice sounded

hoarse and unnatural.
"Alice, hush! You know not what you do." A change came over her. She dropped his hand, and with both her own pressed tightly upon her breast, as if to stay the beating of her heart, stood gazing upon him with sorrowing eyes and parted lips from which all shade of color had faded.

He passed his hand across his forehead and

"Alice, leave me. In mercy leave me."
But she stood as though rooted to the floor.
"Would to God I loved her less!" burst from im like a groan.
She heard him, and her lips moved, her arms

were stretched out to him; one uncertain step forward, and she fell senseless at his feet. do right. Many will envy you, many censure Cousin Jonathan did not leave for Boston that day, but Captain Hay did leave for the South: and when the winter was gone Mr. Warring returned to his home, but he did not go alone. Alice went with him, and lived a happy woman; for she had ever one with her who could guide her right, and whom she loved with all her soul. But though Mr. Warring was her

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