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Her Last Call

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"It's the last call for dinner in the dining car, my dear girl," said Jerrold, adjusting his speech to their surroundings, with a somewhat grim humor. Will you or will you not undertake to love, honor and obey my unworthy self until one of the D's, preferably death, divides us? Because," he added thoughtfully, "it's the third time I've asked you, and I make it a point never to ask any woman more than three times."

"Any woman," she gasped, the color flaming into her cheeks and her eyes sparkling, "any women! So I am"-She stopped so abruptly that Jerrold was comically reminded of a fractious saddle horse he had once owned which would terminate a mad run with the same abruptness, planting his forefeet

touched a responsive chord. "You were about to remark?" he prompted invitingly. Ethel Pixley, her



"YOU ARE THE FOURTH," HE ANNOUNCED face the picture of annoyance, experienced a sharp shock at her own heat. Since she had refused him twice and

had every intention of doing so again, even she realized the inconsistency of her quick resentment. She did not love him, of course not, and yet-well, one doesn't like to think of a rejected suitor as having offered himself to other girls.

"Might I ask just where I occur in the series?" she inquired at last in a tone whose exaggerated indifference was as soothing to Jerrold as the heat of a moment before had been.

He settled himself more comfortably in his chair, wheeled it about so that it commanded that view of her profile that he had come to regard as one of 420 Commercial Street. the solid joys of a fleeting existence the solid joys of a fleeting existence

"You are the fourth," he announced shamelessly, and at the words her eyes blazed into his again involuntarily, and he became lost in a great contentment. Usually she refused him so differently. It was: "You see, I don't love you in that way, though I want you for a friend. Somewhere there is a nice girl waiting for you, and we'll find her together." Jerrold gloated inwardly at the way in which the tables had turned and marveled at his own stupidity.

He felt a lively sense of fellowship with the worm that turned glowing in his veins. After months of abjectness he tingled with the consciousness that Richard was himself again and no longer a man made weakly indulgent by his love. In the fluttering of her nostrils be could read the anger and resentment that were surging through her, and he found the sight exhilarating. She was in sad need of subjugating, this Katherine of his, and he applied himself to the task with a keener zest than he had ever before experienced. There was just a hint of mockery in his tone when next he addressed ber.

"Of course," be continued, as if the ten minutes of tense slience that had elapsed since his last remark was the most natural thing in the world, "It rests entirely with you whether 'to be continued or 'concluded' shall be written after this the fourth chapter."

The deliberation of his speech was marked, and the darkening landscape suddenly ceased to absorb all of Miss Pixley's attention. She turned toward him like a cornered creature, prepared to conceal her chagrin to the uttermost. But at the expression of his face a cold fear touched her heart. Beneath his nonchalance she had expected to discover some sign of feeling-some indication of the eagerness and pleading that had looked so plainly from his eyes on other occasions when he had spoken of his love.

What she saw was the face of a coperior who looks with a certain amount of interest and indulgence upon the pranks of a willful child,

She instantly felt as if she were a small, shivering thing in the midst of a big, cold world, though she clutched frantically at her oozing dignity.

"I don't see how you dare talk to me in such a manner," she began, with a look that was meant to crush bim. But the rest of the sentence was lost, for, instead of returning to the worm state again—as by every token he

should have done-he simply burst into an amused laugh.

"I didn't know that it was bad form to keep from trying," he explained, with assumed contrition. "Surely, now, if you would be cruel and foolish enough to disregard the last call known French physician has, accordyou wouldn't expect me never to look ing to the Herald's Paris correspondat another girl? To me at present you ent, reported his discovery of the fact have been sworn in at the trial of Nan seem the one woman in the world, that certain metals, such as gold and Patterson at the close of today's ses-If you elect to remain so, I shall indeed silver, very finely subdivided and em- sion of court. be honored. If not"-

once tender and mocking, finished the sentence, and Ethel felt as if something that she had never appreciated was slipping away from her just as she was learning to value it.

The rhythmic rumbling of wheels, the whirling lights outside developing a force similar to that of a bie jurors. where the dusk had deepened into velvety blackness, the cheerful brightness of the car, all seemed unreal. She had boarded the train at Jersey

City like a queen with a faithful, humble servant in tow, a servant whom in her heart of hearts she valued, but of whose devotion she was so sure that her estimate of him was disparaging for that very reason. And now-two hours later-everything had changed! Even now, out of the tail of his eye, as rigidly as pokers. At last he had

she could see that he was regarding the handsome, well set head of a girl who occupied a chair a few rows ahead of them with the interest of a man who realizes that you never know when or how you may meet-Her!

For the time being he actually seem ed to have forgotten her royal self completely. It was all very well to pretend to give her the choice-allowing her to abdicate, as it were. In reality, she was convinced that she was dethroned!

"Handsome girl up there, isn't she?" he observed with enthusiasm, turning toward her at last with the furtively apologetic air of a man who has momentarily forgotten himself. "So well set up! Look at those shoulders and the poise of that head! Regular Juno!" Ethel Pixley assented stiffly, "You have not always admired that type, though," she added defiantly. "You

masculine. "What a blind idiot I must have been," was the placid rejoinder, "and how one's standard of feminine beauty changes"-

"From chapter to chapter!" she finished sarcastically, and at the look of hot scorn that accompanied the words he had a gloating idea that the day was won.

At this juncture a picturesque figure appeared at the end of the car, above whose snowy garments a head that looked as if it were finely turned bronze rose superbly.

"Last call for dinner in the dining car!" called a musical voice as he lounged down the aisle with the gait of a man who has his sea legs on. "Dinner now ready in the dining car!" There was a brief pause when he

passed them and disappeared at the other end of the car, but his voice floated back to them, barely audible above the rumble of the wheels and freighted with a lingering ominous

A strange thrill ran through Ethel Pixley, and she turned toward the man beside her. It was only by an effort that she kept from holding out her most to sternness, and under his masterful glance her own eyes fell, and she wondered in a sort of desperation whether her lips were quivering.

"As he says, Ethel, it's the last call, and I'm waiting for your answer." Her only reply was a swift uplifting of the eyes that he remembered for

years afterward as the sweetest thing he had ever witnessed in the way of April showers, and later on, when they had responded to the last call for dinner, the waiter wondered and chuckled, too, as he tucked into his pocket the crisp two dollar bill that he received as his share of the spolls.

A Curious Duel.

Maurus Jokai, the famous Hunga-rian novelist, established several newspapers, and, though he gave little attention to them after they were once fairly started, he was always ready to assume the responsibility for any articles that appeared in them.

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The man was somewhat startled and taken aback, but presently recovered himself and said, "Weil, my lord, can you tell me the way to heaven?"

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