truth." He drew her close to him, "That-that was given to him, she so that he could look down into her said faintly. "But he does not know; tragic eyes. Then he let her go he thinks-he thinks it was paid back with a little contemptuous laugh. to him by a man who owed him "That fellow! A dancing master!" £200."

her breast heaving, her tace as white as death. When Farmer She told him everything. She even fetched to the door she cried out, turned to the door she cried out, "Oh, where are you going? What had received from Netta and showed

are you going to do?" "I'm going to find Royston, and "I got the money for her and she wring the truth out of him," he and gave it to Mr. Royston through this

She ran to him, she clung to him, with shaking hands.

"No, no, I beg of you. He knows nothing about it. Why-he would sobbing.

The air seemed full of nuknown terrors, when she saw a faint re-lenting in his face she broke out again desperately:

"Believe me, please believe me.
I'll do anything—anything—if only
you will believe me." And then the
tears came, running, helplessly down

Farmer's eyes softened, and for a long moment the silence was un-broken save for her pitiful sobbing; where she sat with the tears still wet

Don't cry like that, Elizabeth,"

"No, no," said Elizabeth passion- It would be so easy to be magately; "I gave that money to Enid, nanimous to destroy that check and I swear I did. Mr. Royston knows tell her that the debt was cancelled,

"And that other £200?" Farmer Elizabeth broke into tearless sob- asked slowly.

Her sobbing ceased, and she closed did not, I did not; it's not the her eyes. "That—that was given to him," she

She looked up at him imploringly, Elizabeth stood staring at him, "It's true," she said. "I will tell you

swered her brutally. "And, by God, he shall pay for this!"

She ran to be shall pay for this!"

Rave at to Mr. Royston through this man Bruton. He did not know the truth; if he had he would be the shall be said. taken a penny of it." She looked at Farmer stonily. "That is the truth, if I never speak again," she added.

rather die than take what did not belong to him. He would rather die had found it easy hitherto to get his had found it easy hitherto to get his mine. You don't know him as I despised himself because he had do. Oh, Neil-if you love me.—
She felt as if she was fighting for yet he loved her better than he had be life. loved any woman in his life, and it was bitterest jealousy that had driven

him to be cruel. Was it worth the game, he was asking himself, to marry this girl knowing that she cared nothing for Would there be any happiness for either of them if they were irrevocably tied together for the rest of their lives?

And yet he wanted her. He raised then he put an arm around her and on her face, and passionate anger and led her back to the c hair.

"Don't cry like that, Elizabeth," Farmer was not a bad man. If he said hoarsely. "It—hurts me to hear you cry. I've been rough; I'm have made anything of him, but the a brute, but I hate that fellow-it's knowledge that he was nothing to her he who has come between us, I crushed all that was best in his na-

nothing about it; he would never to let her go and turn eisewhere forgive us if he knew."

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went swiftly back to where she sat her bushand's signature and taken and laid a hand on her shoulder.

"Elizabeth-these people-Royston and the girl who wrote that letter-what are they to you that you should have been so anxious to help

Her heart seemed to contract with agonizing pain until she spoke, quite steadily and without emotion. "They were kind to me; gave me my first chance when I had

"And what about me?" he asked, with uncontrollable pain. " I have done my best for you, too, Elizabeth, but you care nothing for me." Her hands were clasped in her lap so hard that her knuckles stood out white, and for an instant she felt as

she could not breathe. Then she said mechanically: "I will pay my debt to you in any way you wish. I will marry you-

that is the only way."
It was no longer of herself that she thought, but of Royston. In her ignorance she imagined that the negotiating of that check might bring trouble upon him, although she knew as surely as if she had been a witness that Enid Sanger had herself forged



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In that moment she would have suffered anything to protect the man She looked up at Neil Farmer and

poor little smile curbed her lips. I will marry you-if you wish " she said again, "Elizabeth!" He fell to his knees heside her, and his arms went round her fiercely. "I love you, I adore you. I'll make you so happy." He kissed her hands in an abandon of

"You will be my wife; you will marry me-soon?"

But when he would have drawn her close to kiss her lips she gave a little sobbing sigh and slipped fainting from his arms.

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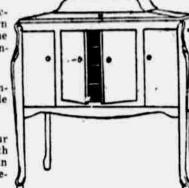
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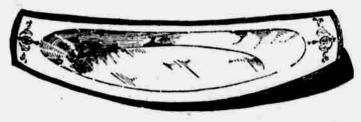
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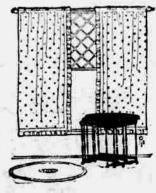


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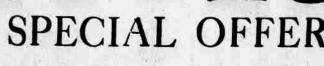










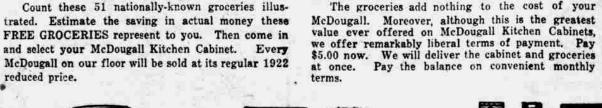


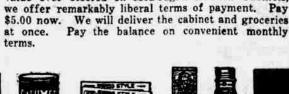


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