RHODA'S

SECRET

By SYLVIA CHESTER

CHAPTER I.

formal hand. There was a crost on not take it, my dear! All you have the top of the thick white note party of your life and be a little convent maid again!"

the top of the thick white note paper, and the motto "Hold truth dear."

Rhoda read:
Dear Arthur: I have carefully read your letter about your sirl, and I see the force of what you say. You toil mo she has been educated in a convant, but is still a Protestant. I am glack you get you the your tiffe is not one that should be shared by an innocent girl. My first thought was to suggest to you that you whould get her a home in some respectable English family, but my wife wishes her to come here. My own daughter is just eighteen; Rhoda will be able to help her with French and music. You say she is proficient in both. Of course it is quite understood between us that nay communication on your part with Rhoda will lead at once to her losing the home I offer her.

"A pleasant letter from a brother to a brother, eh. Rhoda?" said Mr. Dering, as Rhoda folded the letter and placed it upon the mantelpiece. "When does he think that I left the convent?" she asked.
"That's the joke of it, my dear. "He thinks you are still there—that you have been there, since your mother died, twelve years ago." "That means that you told him 50."" of your life and he a little convent mad again."

"Yes; that is all I have to do," sho returned with a bitter smile. She took up her hat and gloves. "I must look after the luncheons." she said. "Sarah is clamoring for her wages again!"

"Confound the girl! What on earth made you have that girl. Rhoda? Celine was worth twenty of her!"

"Celine—was Celine!" said Rhoda, with a bitter smile.

Mr. Deriog shrugged his shoulders.

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and correspondent water and the correspondent of the correspondents, there is a lawyer perhaps. They are "A lawyer perhaps they are those lawyers the correspondents, these lawyers form my brother George," the other answered, with a glance at the Frenchman's face. "An artistation to Rhoda." "An Lefroy raised his cycbrowa sitebility."

M. Lefroy raised his slightly.
"Are we on such terms with our brother? I congratulate you, my friend Dering."
"Thank you! Rhoda is going al-

"Thank you! Rhoda is going al-most at once.

There was silence for a moment.
Then M. Lefroy-said carelessly:
"A long visit!"
"A life long visit in all probabil-ity. Rhoda will live in England in future."

There was another silence. Mr.

future."
There was another silence. Mr.
Dering watched the Frenchman's
face furtively, but it told him little.
M. Lefros spoke first.
"I had the homor a few days ago,
to make certain proposals to you.
Did I express myself clearly on that
occasion?"

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"Quite clearly, my friend."
"Then why does mademoiselle go to England? Am I to understand—"You are to understand, my dear Lefroy, that I feel very deaply the honor of the alliance you propose, but it cannot be."
"And why."
Mr. Dering shrugged his shoulders.

ders.
"A girl has fancies about, such things. I wish Rhoda to chose for herself; and, to speak quite frankly, my friend, she does not choose you."
"But you give me no chance. I t you give me no chance. I that in this journey to-

daughter is utterly out on the ques-tion.

The Frenchman drew back in his chair with a sudden Jerk. It was the only sign he showed that the words had moved him. There was a manner as he answered in the "You speak strongly mon and." How you looked at the game thor-oughly had been a support of the I have you looked at the game thor-oughly had been a support of the support of the util have your cards. Play them

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"Weren't you?" returned Mr. Der-

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seemi, travelle one for that purpose." her father broke in. She will have many stories to tell them hall."

"I am surprised," M. Lefroy went on. "Forgive me, mademoisele, for being so surprised, but the Dering and the will have man and always wanted the best of what surprises you lies an old tale with us. They have wanted Rhoda for years, but she would not leave her father. I am not invited to Dering. That might would not leave her father. I am not invited to Dering. That might would not leave her father. I am not invited to Dering. That might would not leave her father. I am not invited to Dering. That might would not leave her father it is that you have waited so long."

"Your surprise is quite natural. M. Lefroy," returned Rhoda quietly, a scarler sout of color had compliant ocash cheeks, and the eyede considered in the season will be a season with the season will be a season wi



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In the next 30 days, I will offer for sale 200 head of high-grade Holstein helfers running in age from one to helfers running in anumber of them three years. It freshen now, well

hoped that in this journey cogether—"
Mr. Dering interrupted the Frenchman sharply.
"It's out of the question! Take your answer, Lefroy. You and I go alone. Your marriage with my daughter is utterly out of the questions.

"That's a good still The fact is, why brother at last!" he said quickly, breaking the seal. "Wetl, and I must keep you to Monte I thought my last letter would fetch him."

He read the letter, and then, with a laugh, fung it to Rhoda. I couldn't take you out of it sugh, fung it to Rhoda. I couldn't lake you out of it sugh, fung it to Rhoda. I couldn't lake they you out of it sugh, fung it to Rhoda. I couldn't lake they you out of it sugh, fung it to Rhoda. I couldn't lake they shall be a like that illed yill be ready soon."

The was written in a small. "You would be a goose if you did to the soll."

"An English letter, mon am!! Now I was not aware that you kept