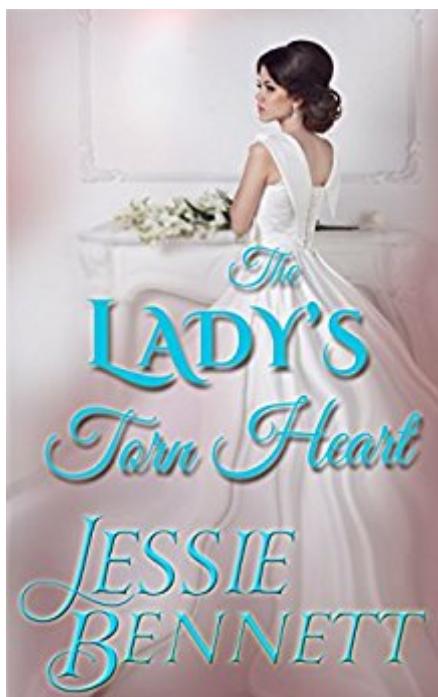


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Regency Romance: The Lady's Torn Heart (Clean Short Read Historical Romance) (Faces Of Love Series)



Synopsis

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Can a Duke with a broken heart find the missing piece in the smile of beautiful Lady Julia Summers, who is struggling to take the right path in life? Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Fitzsimmons is a kind, patient man, although the aura of sadness about him is clearly felt by all. When Lady Julia learns his tragic secret, she cannot help but desire to comfort him, although she fears that she can offer him nothing except friendship since her heart seems to belong to Lord James Patterson. Her friendship means more to him than life itself, coming as a balm to his troubled heart when he needs it, but he desires more from her when he realizes his true feelings for her. When his heart's desire is to win the heart of the woman he loves, it is only through the betrayal of another that he has a chance to make his feelings known to her. Will the handsome Lieutenant-Colonel finally have happiness in his life with the beautiful woman of his dreams, or will her attachment to a rogue with no means of supporting her thwart his dreams of happily ever after?

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Customer Reviews

I enjoyed this Regency romance but have the same quibbles I often have with historical romances. The plot holds true to the regency period, a younger daughter being pressured by her family to snag a husband. But the author can't stay true to the Regency period with her dialogue. I'm certain a Regency miss would not say she was "blown away" by another young woman's singing voice. Nor would she encourage a gentleman caller to "spit it out" when he is struggling to verbalize something. When I come upon one of those modern day phrases, I am completely pulled out of the story. The author tries so hard to get the norms and settings of the period right, why can't she work harder at getting the language right? That is the only reason I did not give the book a higher star rating.

Julia Summers is visiting her sister Mary, the Duchess of Gaffton, in their country house. Mary is expecting her first child and Julia is hoping to be of help to her and also, happily, to avoid the season in London. However, Julia finds that you don't have to be in London to endanger your heart. On her first evening, she meets Lieutenant-Colonel Fitzwilliam, a handsome, "older" gentleman of thirty eight years. He is a kind, interesting man and she likes him right away. A few weeks later, she meets James Patterson, a handsome second son, whose prospects depend on the good will of his aunt. Which man will she choose? The older, steady man who offers a sincere devotion or the younger, exciting man who would have to defy his aunt and, possibly, lose his prospects? I really enjoyed this book. I got a peek into Mary and Gaffton's home life. And I was able to enjoy the courtship of Julia. Whom did she marry? Well, you have to read the book, of course. I highly recommend it. I received a free copy of this book in exchange for an honest review.

Well I did it again, I thought this was the first book but it turned out to be the second. I really liked the story. It touched my heart because this happened to me. A man I grew up with and fell in love with asked me to marry him, we were engaged, he went in the air force and found someone else. No need to say all that happened. Eventually I fell in love with another and we have been married for 41 years, the other would never have lasted. I'm so glad that Henry proved him love by his actions and that Julia realized that if James had truly loved her, nothing would have gotten in the way of their love. She also realized that Henry truly and deeply loved her. Their love would last! Beautiful story! Now I'll read the first story about Mary.

Regency Romance: The Lady's Torn Heart (Clean Short Read) by Jessie Bennett. Book 2 of the "Faces of Love" series, but can be read as a stand alone. A short story, only about 106 pages but

packed full of dark secrets, second chances and first love. Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Fitzsimmons, a sad, but kind, and patient man, with a wounded heart. Lady Julia Summers, finds herself drawn to Henry, but feels her heart belongs to another, Lord James Patterson, a Rogue, without a means of supporting Julia. But Julia wishes only for Henry's friendship, offer comfort and to help heal his broken heart. A heartwarming story of betrayal, a blossoming romance and second chances. But, will Julia and Henry find their HEA? An enjoyable read, that is well written with well-developed characters, and a tenderness where the reader finds themselves captivated by this short story. Ms. Bennett did a great job of bringing the story to a satisfying conclusion with efficiency and skill. Readers of quick, clean Romance will enjoy this quint Regency Romance. Received for an honest review. Rating: 4 Heat rating: Sweet Reviewed by: AprilR

The Lady's Torn Heart is a pleasant romance that's perfect for filling an hour or so with thoughts of love in an earlier era. Julia comes to visit her sister and meets not one, but two interesting men. Lt. Col Fitzwilliam is kind & thoughtful and shares her love of horses and riding. James Patterson is dashing and handsome and dancing with him is like a dream. Ultimately someone's heart will be broken. Characters are fleshed out nicely. The writing is clean & concise, devoid of spelling, grammar, and mechanical errors. The tale fits nicely in the Regency era in which it is set with the very minor exception of a couple bits of dialog. The story is nice, in a staid sort of way. I personally prefer a bit more excitement than this short story offered, hence 4 stars instead of the 5 others might award.

Who says true love only comes around once in a lifetime? I found this short, clean regency romance story to be very enlightening in answer to this question and thoroughly enjoyed this book. The heroine escapes her mother's attempts to find her a husband by staying with her sister and brother-in-law in the country during her sister's confinement. She meets and falls in love with a neighbor who could lose his title and inheritance if he follows his heart and marries against his aunts wishes. She also meets and befriends an "older" gentleman who has, years before, lost his wife and child during childbirth. He has given up on the idea of ever loving again. I will not spoil the results, but will say that this book was a well written and engaging afternoon read.

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