

Poetry.

FOREBUNNERS.

All up and down the mountain sides,
And through the breezy hollow.

The grasses grow, the leaf-buds blow,
And blossoms soon will follow;

They follow— they follow—
On upland and in hollow;

The spring is here—sweet plainer!—
And summer soon will follow.

Then autumn comes—and overleaved
The nightingale and swallow

Purse their flight to airy heights,
And call their mates to follow;

They follow—they follow—
On every hill and hollow;

The sign appears that summer's here
And autumn soon will follow.

Then autumn comes—the matron month,
The reeds and stalks are hollow.

The crops are in the barn and bin;
The birds their leaders follow;

They follow—they follow—
Sweet Orpheus and Apollo,

And Boreas blows in a way that shows
That winter soon will follow.

Then winter comes with cloudy face
And down the hill and hollow;

And rain and sleet their marches beat,
And snow and ice will follow;

They follow—they follow—
There's no path through the hollow.

But lo! ere long the snow-song
And the spring's sure to follow!

Literature.

A LIFE FOURSQUARE.

CHAPTER VII.

EDITHA'S RESOLUTION.

Everybody who knows anything about
Newport—the Brighton of America—

knows that the season there is one long
scene of gayety, pleasure, and splendor.

And this year bore fair to eclipse all
previous years, owing to the unusual

brilliance and elegance of its entertainments,
its incessant round of pleasure, the

presence of numberless beautiful women,
with their magnificent toilets, and the

great number of distinguished guests from
abroad, all because of his being unmarried,

handsome, and—thirty.

He was an F. R. C. S., had graduated
with high honors, and had reputation of

his father became highly incensed,
and fumed and fretted himself almost

into a fever on account of it.
"Editha, you will oblige me by not

being quite so indifferent to Mr. Tre-
salia's attention," Mr. Dalton said one

day, upon their return from a brilliant
reception given at the house of a French

man of war lying at anchor in the harbor.
The commander was a friend of Mr.

Tressalia's, and had given an elaborate
breakfast and reception to him and his

friends, together with some other dis-
tinguished people sojourning at Newport.

Editha and Mr. Dalton had been among
the guests, and the former had been per-
fectly enraptured with the entertainment.

She had attracted marked attention
from commander and officers, and also

from many of the guests, and in this way
had succeeded in saving herself the usual

"paining odium" which she had been
somewhat reserved, too, in her manner

her opposition, "your tastes would lead
you to prefer to marry that handsome

young cavalier whom you professed to ad-
mire so much on your own time."

Mr. Dalton had had his fears upon the
subject for some time, owing to the con-
stantly with which she sent him the tokens

of her remembrance of him, and he never
hinted at such a thing until now.

Editha's proud little head was lifted
suddenly erect at his words; her eyes,

blue and gentle as they were usually,
grew dark, and flashed dangerously; her

nostrils dilated, and her breath came
quickly from her red parted lips.

He had touched upon a point which
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tone, "if I loved any one, and he was
worthy, I should never be ashamed of that

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When this note was handed to Earle,
and he instantly recognized the hand-

writing, every particle of color forsook
his face, his hand trembled, and a mist

gathered before his eyes.
He had not seen that writing since

his death, and he had ceased to care,
and his family's characters around so

many emotions that for the moment he
was nearly unmanned.

He thrust it hastily into his bosom,
for he could not open it with so many

eyes upon him, and there it lay all day
long against his beating heart, waiting

to be opened when he could be alone
and unobserved.

When at last he did break the seal
and read it, it was sadly disappointing.

It seemed cold and distant—a mere
formal request to come and get what

belonged to him and receive the mes-
sage (doubtless something regarding his

This day by day she thought of him
and planned for his comfort and hap-

piness. The days grew longer and longer
to her as the time drew nearer, until

she became so restless, nervous, and im-
patient, that her appetite failed, and all

her interest in other things waned.
The week before Christmas she sought

her lawyer, and had a long talk with him
regarding her uncle's strange bequest.

It was the first he had heard of it,
for she had been loth to say much about

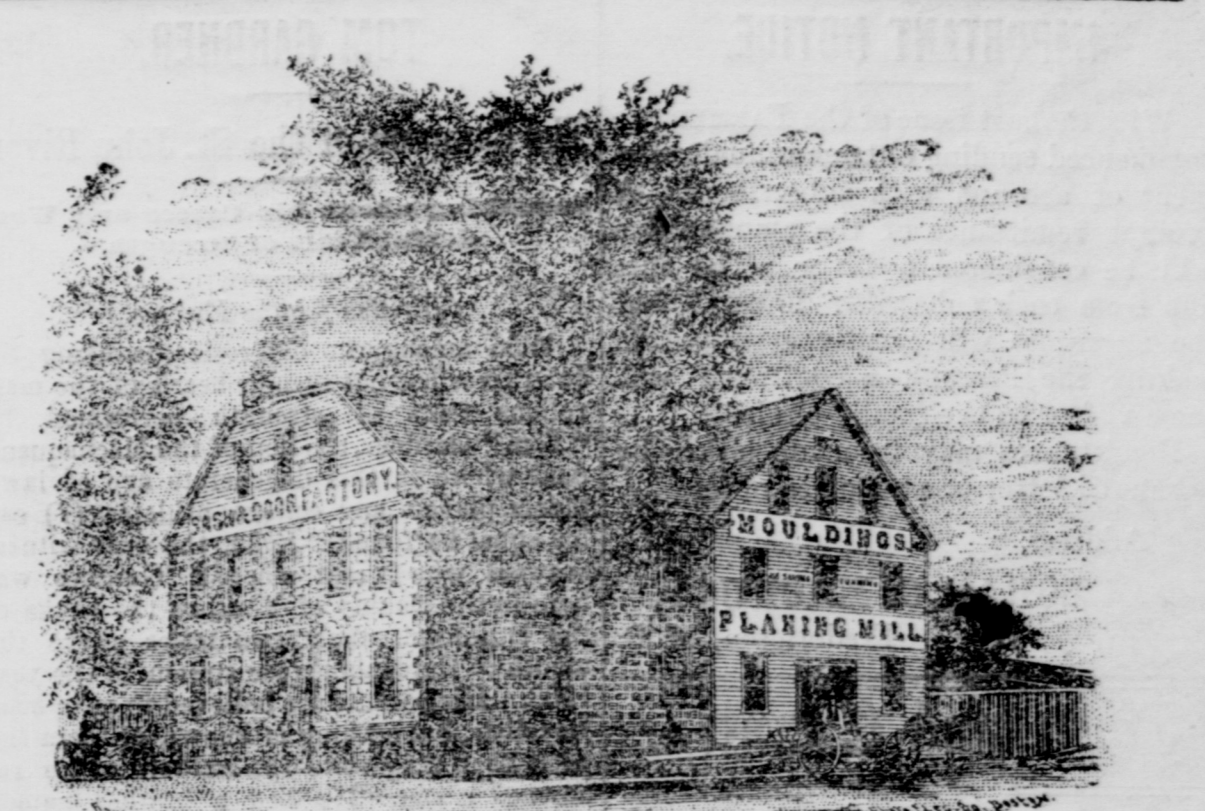
it, knowing her father's bitter oppo-
sition. But it could be put off no longer,

and she hoped Mr. Dalton would be
ashamed to refuse his signature when

the paper should be presented by the
lawyer; and though Mr. Dalton was

somewhat surprised at the information,
yet his admiration for the fair girl in-

creased four-fold as he observed how
heartily she appeared to second Mr.

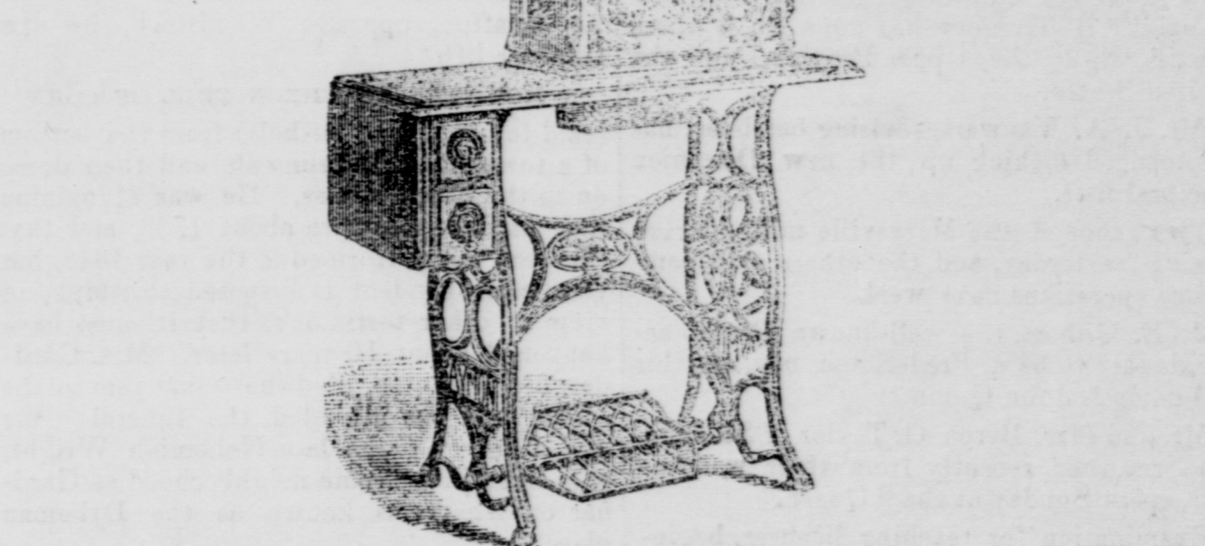


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plexed.
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