

Poetry.

WHAT THE CHOIR SANG.

A foolish little maiden bought a foolish little bonnet...

But though the little bonnet was scarce larger than a dime...

Which proves, my little maidens, that each of you will find...

Literature.

DOUBLE DEALING.

CHAPTER XXXIII.

A WEDDING IN PROSPECT.

At that moment a servant appeared at the door, and was about to enter upon his duty...

Geoffrey sat up amazed. "Surely you cannot mean that Gladys is my wife?" he exclaimed...

"But we are going to pay you a good salary and defray your travelling expenses also, if you go abroad for us," said Mr. Huntress...

Geoffrey's heart was beating with great heavy throbs of joy over these plans. No thought of any such delightful scheme had for an instant entered his mind...

Geoffrey looked up with gleaming eyes. "I am anything but 'sombre' over your proposition, Uncle August," he said simply...

strains from the piano, and drew her to a small sofa that stood near...

"Well, I know that papa would not go overboard, and I am sure she would never cross the ocean without him...

"I should love to go abroad—I have always longed to go, as papa says," Gladys answered gravely...

"I do not see anything very remarkable about it, when I have just discovered a fortune for her," he replied, after a moment of hesitation...

He looked again at the plan, and how it first, he had hardly felt it right to do it, considering his rather doubtful position in life...

Geoffrey at once entered upon his duties, and with an enthusiasm and energy which was promised well for the future...

While all these events were transpiring in Brooklyn, Everett Mapleson was living in a state of great unrest in his beautiful home near Richmond...

He held out his hand, and upon receiving it he turned to the light to examine it.

"It would have been more to the purpose if he had given the family some of the while they were suffering the stings of poverty," Colonel Mapleson remarked...

Outside the gate, he paused long enough to replace his shoes on his feet, and he again mounted his horse and rode quietly toward the place...

It was a rather discouraging undertaking, for there was very little about the room to suggest a place of concealment for anything of a valuable character...

"I am confident," he muttered, "that the man must have made a will, and that there are other papers existing, representing a large amount of property..."

CHAPTER XXXIV. ROBERT DALE'S WILL BROUGHT TO LIGHT.

With a slight shiver of repugnance, Colonel Mapleson laid it unopened on the desk. Underneath he found several bank-books and certificates, all in Robert Dale's name...

Reaching the Dale cottage, which was evidently his destination, he dismounted, fastened his horse, and then bent his steps around to the back door, intending to force an entrance as before...

He held out his hand, and upon receiving it he turned to the light to examine it. "Yes, this must be the likeness of Mrs. Dale; it resembles her strikingly...

look, the color all gone from his own face, and his lips sternly compressed.

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He looked up at the ceiling; he closely scrutinized the window-casings and the fire-place. But there wasn't a crack nor a crevice that promised a revelation of any kind...

"I do not see what the man could have been thinking of, if he was in his right mind, to hide his property in such a way without leaving some clue to it..."

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