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rushed down stairs, loosened the boat from its hooks, and was half a dozen yards away from the rocky tower before any misgiving ever entered my mind.

Too late to look back now. I kept my eyes fixed on the flutter of the white flag and pulled long, resolute strokes as if I had been a man.

figures grouped around the rocky points, and my heart sickened within me with the apprehension of some overshadowing calamity.

But they were only girls, as I presently perceived-Adam Stokes' daughters from the old farm-house under the hill, who gathered about me, as I sprang ashore, dimpling laughter and eyes of merry mischief.

"I knew we would bring you, Lizzie," said Ellen Stokes. 11 knew what the signal was." I gazed from one to another with white lips and enquiring gaze.

you, Lizzie child-about Kate's wedding dress, you know-and here you are. can."

" It was wrong Miriam," I said gravely. "I must go back at once."

es, Lizzie, and not before," said she, clasping both my hands resolutely in hers. "Come, it won't take you half a minute.

And half vexed with myself, and wholly with them, I yielded. It was quite true what she said. It would take me but a short time to go down to the farm house and look at Kate's curiosity about such matters. It wanted a good three hours yet to dusk. I had been prisoned more than a week in the octagonal walls of the lighthouse. So I yielded.

The girls took me back with them in triumph. I liked them well enoughthey were all merry, warm-hearted girls, managed to evade their brother Laurence since that evening among the pines when I told him I never could be his as good a one as he." wife.

" I must get back to the lighthouse." I said, starting up before I had fairly seen all the gauds and gewgaws pre-

here manifested by the writer at the "Oh, yes, you will. He had the colossal transactions of this single railheaves bad, you know.' way corporation--the natural offspring and product of the City of Chicago-"Nothing of the kind."

will find other similar food to feed upon "Why, I recollect I saw him one day in the great West if he will take the



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