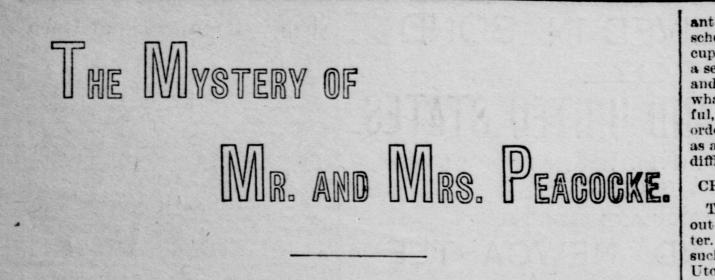
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CHAPTER I.-DR. WORTLE.

himself. He combined two professions, in | eleven; and as there were boys at Bowick both of which he had been successful, had been, and continued to be, at the time in which we speak of him. I will introduce him to the reader in the present tense as Rector of Bowick, and proprietor and head-master of the school established in the village of that name. The seminary at Bowick had for some time enjoyed a reputation under him ;- not that he had ever himself used so newfangled and unpalatable a word in speaking of his school. Bowick School had been established by himself as preparatory to Eton. Dr. Wortle had been elected to an assistantmastership at Eton early in life soon after he had become a Fellow of Exeter. There he had worked successfully for ten years, and had then retired to the living of Bowick. On going there he had determined to occupy his leisure, and if possible to make his fortune, by taking a few boys into his house. By dint of charging high prices and giving good food, -perlishment had become popular, and had outgrown the capacity of the parsonage. He had been enabled to purchase a field or two close abutting on the glebe gardens, and had there built convenient premises. He now limited his number to thirty boys, for told his friends that he knew his own business best ;-he declared that his charge | the next twelve months Dr. Wortle was was the only sum that was compatible | obliged to refuse admittance to a dozen bors he endured were already quite heavy these contests, -suffered, that is, in mind States as a field for his classical labors. enough. In fact, he recommended all There had been moments in which it The Doctor, whose mind was by no means those who gave him advice to mind their | seemed that the victory would be on the | There are very different ideas of what "a to be broken; but in every case he had fortune" may be supposed to consist. It will not be necessary to give Dr. Wortle's conquered. He was now a prosperous man exact idea. No doubt it changed with who had achieved his own way, and had him, increasing as his money increased. But he was supposed to be a comfortable man. He paid ready money and high prices. He liked that other people under him should thrive, —and he liked them to know that they throve by his means. He ness, and threw off as far as they could liked to be master, and always was. He | that zeal which is so dear to the youthful nized. He was generous also, and liked weak and flabby to their elders. His that, too, to be known. He kept a carriage proud to see her as well dressed as the wife of personal civilities. It was much better of any county squire. But he was a domincering husband. As his wife worshipped | to have to bear his hard words. him, and regarded him as a Jupiter on earth from whose nod there could be and should be no appeal, but little harm came | before we commence it, we must say a few from this. If a tyrant, he was an affec- more words as to the Doctor and his famtionate tyrant. His wife felt him to be so. | ily. Of his wife I have already spoken. His servants, his parish, and his school all She was probably as happy a woman as you felt him to be so. They obeyed him, loved | shall be likely to meet on a summer's day. him, and believed in him. So, upon the whole, at the time with | sant friends, abundant means, and no am which we are dealing, did the diocese, the bition. She went nowhere without the county, and that world of parents by whom | Doctor, and wherever he went she enjoyed the boys were sent to his school. But this her share of the respect which was always had not come about without some hard | shown to him. She had little or nothing fighting. He was over fifty years of age. to do with the school, the Doctor having and had been Rector of Bowick for nearly | many years ago resolved that though it betwenty. During that time there had been came him as a man to work for his bread, a succession of three bishops, and he had his wife should not be a slave. When the quarrelled more or less with all of them. | battles had been going on, -those between fault with him. Now Dr. Wortle,-or Mr. | and the newspapers,-she had for a while to that period, -was a man who could bear | it insinuated that her husband was an master had required from him some slight ed her, and his continual victories had quarrel on that occasion, but Mr. Wortle had gone. He at once commenced his school at Bowick, taking half-a-dozen pupils into his own house. The bishop of that day suggested that the cure of the souls of the parishioners of Bowick was being subordinated to the Latin and Greek of the sons of the nobility. The bishop got a response which gave an additional satisfaction to his speedy translation to a more comfortable diocese. Between the next bishop and Mr. Wortle there was, unfortunately, misunderstanding, and almost feud for the entire ten years during which his lordship reigned in the Palace of Broughton. This Bishop of Broughton had been one of that large batch of Low Church prelates who were brought forward under Lord Palmerston. Among them there was none more low, more pious, more sincere, or more given to interference. To teach Mr. Wortle his duty as a parish clergyman was evidenly a necessity to such a bishop. To repudiate any such teaching was evidently a necessity to Mr. Wortle. Consequently there were differences, in all of which Mr. Wortle carried his own. What the good bishop suffered no one probably knew except his wife and his domestic chaplain. What Mr. Wortle enjoyed, or Dr. Wortle, as he came to be called about this time,—was patent to all the county and all the diocese. The sufferer died, not, let us hope, by means of the Doctor; and then came the third bishop. He, too, had found himself obliged to say a word. He was a man of the world, -wise, prudent, not given to interference or fault-finding, friendly by nature, one who altogether hated a quarrel, a bishop beyond all things determined to be the friend of his clergymen ;---and yet he thought himself obliged to say a word. There were matters in which Dr. Wortle affected a peculiarly anti-clerical mode of expression, if not of feeling. He had been foolish enough to declare openly that he was in search of a curate who should have none of the "grace of godliness" about him. He was wont to ridicule the piety of young men who devoted themselves entirely to their religious offices. In a letter which he wrote he spoke of one youthful divine as "a conceited ass, who had preached for forty minutes." He not only disliked, but openly ridiculed all signs of a special pietistic bearing. It was said of him that he had been heard to swear. There can be no doubt that he made himself wilfully distasteful to many of his stricter brethren. Then it came to pass that there was a cor-respondence between him and the bishop as to that outspoken desire of his for a curate without the grace of godliness But even here Dr. Wortle was successful. The management of his parish was pre-eminently good. The parish school was a model. The farmers went to church. Dissenters shere were none. The people of Bowick believed thoroughly in their parson, and knew the comfort of having an open-handed, well-to-do gentleman in the village. This third episcopal difficulty did not en-dure long. Dr Wortle knew his man, and was willing enough to be on good terms with his bishop so long as he was allowed to be in all things his own master. There had, too, been some fighting be-tween Dr. Wortle and the world about his school. He was, as I have said, a thoroughly generous man, but he required, himself, to be treated with generosity. Any question as to the charges made by him as schoolmaster was unendurable. He explained to all parents that he charged for each boy at the rate of two hundred a-year for board, lodging, and tuition, and that anything required for a boy's benefit or comfort beyond that ordinarily supplied, would be charged for as an extra at such price as Dr. Wortle himself thought to be an equivalent. Now the popularity of his establishment no doubt depended in a great degree on the sufficiency and comfort of the good things of the world which he provided. The beer was of the best, the boys were not made to eat fat, their taste in the selection of joints was consulted. The morning coffee was excellent. The cook was a great adept at cakes and puddings. The Doctor would not himself have been satisfied unless everything had been plentiful, and everything of the best. He would plenty.

could supply, but hardly liked paying the things. He wanted a gentleman, a school

best price. Dr. Wortle's school was the best thing the world could supply of that | we may say all in one. Curates and ushers The Rev. Jeffrey Wortle, D.D., was a kind, but then the price was certainly the are generally unmarried. An assistant man much esteemed by others, —and by very best. Young Stantiloup was only schoolmaster is not often in orders, and as old as seventeen-for the school had not altogether maintained its old character as being merely preparatory-Mrs Stantiloup | A lady, when she has a husband, has genhad thought that her boy should be admitted at a lower fee. The correspondence which had ensued had been unpleasant. The young Stanitlo p had had influenza, and Mrs. Stantiloup had sent her own doctor. Champagne had been ordered, and carriage excercise. Mr. Stantiloup had been forced by his wife to refuse to pay sums demanded for these undoubted extras. Ten shillings a-day for a drive for a little boy seemed to her a great deal,seemed so to Mrs. Stantiloup. Ought not the Doctor's wife to have been proud to take her little boy in her own carriage? And then £2, 10s. for champagne for the little boy! It was monstrous. Mr. Stantiloup remonstrated. Dr. Wortle said that the little boy had better be taken away at Oxford as a Classic, and had become a and the bill paid at once. The little boy Fellow of Trinity. Then he had taken was taken away and the money was offerhaps in part, also, by the quality of the ed, short of £5. The matter was instantly married, giving up his Fellowship as a education which he imparted, —his estab- put into the hands of the Doctor's lawyer, matter of course. Mr. Peacocke, while and a suit commenced. The Doctor, of living at Oxford, had been well-known to course, got his money, and then there fol- a large Oxford circle, but had suddenly lowedan acrimonious correspondence in the disappeared from that world, and it reach-'Times' and other newspapers. Mrs. Stan- ed the ears of only a few of his more intiloup did her best to ruin the school, and | timate friends that he had undertaken the many very eloquent passages were written duties of vice-president of a classical coleach of which he charged £200 a-year. It not only by her or by her own special lege at St. Louis in the State of Missouri. was said of him by his friends that if he scribe, but by others who took the matter Such a disruption as this was for a time would only raise his price to £250, he up to prove that two hundred a year was a complete; but after five years Mr. Peacocke might double the number, and really a great deal more than ought to be paid appeared again at Oxford, with a beauti-make a fortune. In answer to this, he for the charge of a little boy during three ful American wife, and the necessity of quarters of the year. But in the course of earning an income by his erudition. It would at first have seemed very improbable that Dr. Wortle should have both with regard to himself and honesty | eligible pupils because he had no room for | taken into his school or into his parish a to his customers, and asserted that the la- them. No doubt he had suffered during gentleman who had chosen the United

ant-master. It had been the Doctor's about ner, as some people said, it certainscheme to find a married gentleman to oc. Iy did not come from the fact that she cupy this house, whose wife should receive | was in the receipt of a salary for the pera separate salary for looking after the linen | formance of certain prescribed duties. and acting as matron to the school, doing |Such remuneration was, she thought, as what his wife did till he became success. honorable as the Doctor's income; but to ful,-while the husband should be in her American intelligence, the acceptance orders and take part of the church duties of a present of money from a Marchioness as a second curate. But there had been a would have been a degradation. difficulty in this. It certainly was said of her by some per-

sons that there must have been something CHAPTER II.-THE NEW USHER. in her former life of which she was ashamed. The Honorable Mrs. Stanti-The Doctor had found it difficult to carry out the scheme described in the last chapter. They indeed who know anything of

loup, to whom all the affairs of Bowick had been of consequence since her husband had lost his lawsuit, and who had not only such matters will be inclined to call it heard much, but had inquired far and near Utopian, and to say that one so wise in worldly matters as our schoolmaster should about Mr. and Mrs. Peacocke, declared diligently among her friends, with many not have attempted to combine so many nods and winks, that there was something master, a curate, a matron, and a lady,-"rotten in the state of Denmark." She did at first somewhat imprudently endeavour to spread a rumour ab oad that the Doctor had become enslaved by the lady's beauty But even those hostile to sometimes is not a gentleman. A gentle-Bowick could not accept this. The Doctor man, when he is married, does not often cartainly was not the man to put in jeopwish to dispose of the services of his wife ardy the respect of the world and his own standing for the beauty of any woman; erally sufficient duties of her own to emand, moreover, the Doctor, as we have said ploy her, without undertaking others. The before, was over fifty years of age. But scheme, if realized, would no doubt be exthere soon came up another ground on cellent, but the difficulties were too many. which calumny could found a story. It The Stantiloups, who lived about twenty was certainly the case that Mrs. Peacocke miles off, made fun of the Doctor and his had never accepted any hospitality from project; and the bishop was said to have Mrs. Wortle or other ladies in the neighexpressed himself as afraid that he would borhood. It reached the ears of Mrs. Stannot be able to license as curate any one setiloup, first, that the ladies had called lected as usher to the school. One attempt upon each other, as ladies are wont to do was made after another in vain ;- but at who intend to cultivate a mutual personal last it was declared through the country acquaintance, and then that Mrs. Wortle far and wide that the Doctor had succeedhad asked Mrs. Peacocke to dinner. But ed in this, as in every other enterprise Mrs Peacocke had refused not only that inthat he had attempted. There had come a vitation, but subsequent invitations to the Rev. Mr. Peacocke and his wife. Six years less ceremonious form of tea-drinking. since Mr. Peacocke had been well known All this had been true, and it had been true also, -though of this Mrs. Stantiloup had not heard the particulars,-that Mrs. orders, and had some time afterwards Peacocke had explained to her neighbor that she did not intend to put herself on a visiting tooting with anyone. "But why not, my dear?" Mrs. Wortle had said, urged to the argument by precepts from her husband. "Why should you make yourself desolate here, when we shall be so glad to have you?" "It is part of my life that it must be so," Mrs. Peacocke had answered. "I am quite sure that the duties I have undertaken are becoming a lady; but I do not think that they are becoming to one who either gives or accepts

entertainments." There had been something of the same kind between the Doctor and Mr. Peacocke. "Why the mischief shouldn't you and your wife come and cat a bit of mutton, and drink a glass of wine, over at the rectory, like any other decent people?" I logical, was a thorough-going Tory of the never believed that accusation against the Doctor in regard to swearing; but he was no doubt addicted to expletives in conversation, and might perhaps have indulged in a strong word or two, had he not been had certainly been a rolling stone. He loved prevented by the sanctity of his orders. "Perhaps I ought to say," replied Mr. since had been heard to say hard things of Peacocke, "because we are not like any Mr. Peacocke, when that gentleman deother decent people." Then he went on to serted his college for the sake of establishexplain his meaning. Decent people, he ing himself across the Atlantic. But he thought, in regard to social intercourse, was one who thought that there should be are those who are able to give and take a place of penitence allowed to those who with ease among each other He had fallen aad clearly repented of their errors; and into a position in which neither he nor his moreover when he heard that Mr. Peacocke was endeavoring to establish himself in wife could give anything, and from which, though some might be willing to accept him, he would be accepted only, as it were, and also that he was a married man withby special favor. "Bosh!" ejaculated the out any encumbrance in the way of fam-Dector. Mr. Peacocke simply smiled, said it might be bosh, but that even were he inclined to relax his . wn views, his wife capade. Circumstances brought the two would certainly not relax hers. So it came to pass that although the Doctor and Mr. men together. There were friends at Oxford who knew how anxious the Doctor Peacocke were really intimate, and that was to carry out that plan of his in refersomething of absolute friendship sprang ence to an usher, a curate and a matron. up between the two ladies, when Mr. Peaand here were the very things combined. cocke had already been more than twelve Mr. Peacocke's scholarship and power of months in Bowick neither had he nor Mrs teaching were acknowledged; he was al-Peacocke broken bread in the Doctor's ready in orders; and it was declared that Mrs. Peacocke was undoubtedly a lady. house. And yet the friendship had become Many inquiries were made. Many meetstrong. An incident had happened early ings took place. Many difficulties arose. in the opening of the year which had serv But at last Mr. and Mrs. Peacocke came ed greatly to strengthen it. At the school to Bowick and took up their abode in the there was a little boy, just eleven years old, the only son of a Lady de Lawle, who had All the Doctor's requirements were not in early years been a dear friend to Mrs at once fulfilled. Mrs. Peacocke's position Wortle. Lady de Lawle was the widow of was easily settled. Mrs. Peacocke who a baronet, and the little boy was the heir seemed to be a woman possessed of sterto a large fortune. The mother had been ling sense and great activity undertook most loath to part with her treasure her duties without difficulty. But Mr. Pea-Friends, uncles, and trustees had declared cocke would not at first consent to act as that the old prescribed form of education curate in the parish. He did however after for British aristocrats must be followed, a time consent to perform a portion of the -a t'other school, namely, then Eton, and Sunday services. When he first came to Bowick he had 'declared that he would then Oxford. No; his mother might not go with him, first to one, and then to the underake no clerical duty. Education was o her. Such going and living with hin his profession and to that he meant to dewould deprive his education of all the real vote himself exclusively. Nor for the six salt Therefore Bowick was chosen as the or eight months of his sojourn did he go t'ott er school, because Mrs. Wortle would back from this; so that the Doctor may be be more like a mother to her poor desolate said even still to have failed in carrying boy than any other lady. So it was arrangout his purpose. But at last the new ed, and the "poor desolate boy" became schoolmaster appeared in the pulpit of the the happiest of the young pickles whom it parish church and preached a sermon. was Mrs. Wortle's special province to spoil All that had passed in private conference between the Doctor and his assistant on whenever she could get hold of them. Now it happened that on one beautiful the subject need not here be related. Mr. afternoon towards the end of April, Mrs Peacocke's aversion to do more than at-Wortle had taken young De Lawle and antend regularly at the church services as one other little boy with her over the foot of the parishioners had been very strong. The Doctor's anxiety to overcome his asbridge which passed from the bottom of the parsonage garden to the glebe-meadow sistant's reasoning had also been strong. which ran on the other side of the little There had, no doubt, been much said beriver, and with them had gone a great tween them. Mr. Peacocke had been true Newfoundland dog, who was on terms to his principles, whatever those principles equally friendly with the inmates of the were, in regard to his appointment as a rectory and the school. Where this bridge curate, -but it came to pass that he for passed across the stream the gardens and some months preached regularly every the fields were on the same level. But as Sunday in the parish church, to the full the water ran down to the ground on satisfaction of the parishioners. For this which the school-buildings had been erect he accepted no payment, much to the Doced there arose a steep bank over a bend in tor's dissatisfaction. Nevertheless it was the river, or, rather, steep cliff, for, indeed, certainly the case that they who served the it was almost perpendicular, the force of Doctor gratuitously never came by the the current as it turned at this spot hav Apply to ing washed away the bank. In this way it Mr. Peacocke was a small wiry-looking had come to pass that there was a precip man, anything but robust in appearance, itous fall of about a dozen feet from the but still capable of great bodily exertion. top of the little cliff into the water, and He was a great walker. Labor in the that the water here, as it eddied round school never seemed to fatigue him. The the curve, was black and deep, so that the addition of a sermon to preach every week bigger boys were wont to swim in it, arseemed to make no difference to his enerrangements for bathing having been made gies in the school. He was a constant readon the further or school side. There had er, and could pass from one kind of mensometimes been a question whether a rail tal work to another without fatigue. The should not be placed for protection along Doctor was a noted scholar, but it soon bethe top of this cliff, but nothing of the came manifest to the Doctor himself, and kind had yet been done. The boys were to the boys, that Mr. Peacocke was much not supposed to play in this field, which deeper in scholarship than the Doctor. was on the other side of the river, and Though he was a poor man, his own small could only be reached by the bridge classical library was supposed to be a rethrough the parsonage garden. On this day young De Lawle and his friend and the dog rushed up the hill be-fore to romp, as was their custom. Mary Wortle, who was one of the party, followed them, enjoining the children to keep away pository of all that was known about Latin and Greek. In fact Mr. Peacocke grew to be a marvel; but of all the marvels about entire faith which the Doctor placed in him. Certain changes even were made in from the cliff. For a while they did so, but of course returned. Once or twice they were recalled and scolded. always asposed, by the advice of Mr. Peacocke. Mr. serting that the fault was altogether with Neptune. It was Neptune that knocked them down and always pushed them to-wards the river. Perhaps it was Neptune; but be that as it might, there came a moment very terrible to them all. The dog Fellows of their colleges at Oxford; but the parsons and other gentry around could see that there was more in it than that. Mr. Peacocke had some power about him which was potent over the Doctor's spirit. in one of his gyrations came violently against the little boy, knocked him off his legs and pushed him over the edge. Mrs. Wortle, who had been making her way slowly up the hill, saw the fall, heard the Mrs. Peacocke, in her line, succeeded aland fell immediately to the most as well. She was a woman some-thing over thirty years of age when she first came to Bowick, in the very pride ground Other eyes had also seen the accident. and bloom of woman's beauty. Her com-The Doctor and Mr. Peacocke were at the moment walking together in the playplexion was dark and brown,-so much grounds at the school side of the brook. so, that it was impossible to describe her color generally by any other word. But When the boy fell they had paused in their walk, and were standing, the Doctor with no clearer skin was ever given to a woman. Her eyes were brown, and her eyehis back to the stream, and the asisstant brows black, and perfectly regular. Her with his face turned towards the cliff. A hair was dark and very glossy, and always loud exclamation broke from his lips as he saw tha fall; but in a moment,-almost dressed as simply as the nature of wobefore the Doctor had realized the accident man's head will allow. Her features were which had occurred-he was in the water regular, but with a great show of strength. and two minutes afterwards young De She was tall for a woman, but without any of that look of length under which female Lawle, drenched indeed, frightened and out of breath, but in nowise seriously hurt, was out upon the bank; and Mr. Peacocke altitude sometimes suffers. She was strong and well made, and apparently equal to any labor to which her position might subject her. When she had been at dren hed also, but equally safe, was stand-ing over him, while the Doctor on his knees Bowick about thies months, a boy's leg was satisfying himself that his little had been broken, and she had nursed him oha:ge had received no fatal injury. It need hardly be explained that such a ter not only with assiduity, but with great mination as this to such an accident had capacity. The boy was the youngest son greatly increased the good feeling with Lady Altamont paid a second visit to which Mr. Peacocke was regarded by all the inhabitants of the school and rectory.



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It is chiefly in reference to one of these ushers that our story has to be told. But She had good health, easy temper, pleaschool.

It might be juster to say that they had all the Doctor and the bishops, and the Docof them had more or less occasion to find | tor and Mrs. Stantiloup, and the Doctor Wortle, as he should be called in reference | been unhappy. It had grieved her to have censure from no human being. He had atheist, and asserted that her husband was left his position at Eton because the head | a cormorant; but his courage had sustainchange of practice. There had been no taught her to believe at last that he was indomitable. They had one child, a daughter, Mary, of whom it was said in Bowick that she alone knew the length of the Doctor's foot. It certainly was so that, if Mrs. Wortle wished to have anything done which was a rifle beyond her own influence, she em-

ployed Mary. And if the boys collectively

wanted to carry a point, they would "collectively" obtain Miss Wortle's aid. But all this the Doctor probably knew very well; and though he was often pleased to grant favors thus asked, he did so because he liked the granting of favors when they had been asked with a proper degree of care and attention. She was at the present time of the age in which fathers are apt to look upon their children as still children, while other men regard them as being grown-up young ladies. It was now June, and in the approaching August she would be eighteen. It was said of her that of the girls all round she was the prettiest; and indeed it would be hard to find a sweeter-favored girl than Mary Wortle. worse of the bargain. Her father had been all his life a man noted for the manhood of his face. He had a broad forehead, with bright grey eyes, eyes that had always a smile passing round them, though the smile would sometimes have that touch of ironywhich a smile may contain, rather than the good-humor which it is ordinarily supposed to indicate. His nose was aquilite, not hooky, like a true bird's beak, but with that bend which seems to give the human face the clearest indication of individual will. His mouth, for a man was perhaps a little too small, but was admirably formed, as had been that chin with a deep dimple on it, which had now by the slow progress of many dinners become doubled in its folds His hair had been chestnut, but dark in its hue. It had now become gray, but still with the shade of the chestnut through it him, the thing most marvellous was the here and there. He stood 5 feet 10 in height, with small hands and feet. He was now perhaps somewhat stout, but was the old-established "curriculum" of tuistill as upright on his horse as ever, and as tion, -and were made, as all the boys supwell able to ride to hounds for a few fields when by chance the hunt came in the way of Bowick. Such was the Dogtor. Mrs Wortle was a pretty little woman, now over forty years of age, of whom it was said that in her day she had been the beauty of Windsor and those parts. Mary Wortle took mostly after her fatner, being tall and comely, having especially her father's eyes; but still they who had known Mrs Wortle as a girl declared that Mary had inherited also her mother's peculiar softness of complexion. For many years past none of the pupils had been received within the parsonage,unless when received there as guests, which was of frequent occurrence. All belonging to the school was built outside the glebe land, as a quite separate establishment, with a door opening from the parsonage garden to the school-yard. Of this door the rule was that the Doctor and the gardener should have the only two keys; but the rule may be said to have become quite obsolete, as the door was never locked. Sometimes the bigger boys would come through unasked-perhaps in search of a game of lawn-tennis with Miss Wortleperhaps to ask some favor of Mrs. Wortle, who always was delighted to welcome them -perhaps even to seek the Doctor himsei?, who never on such occasions would ask how it came to pass that they were on that side of the wall. Sometimes Mrs. Wortle would send her housekeeper through for some of the little boys. It would then be a good time for the little boys. But of the Marchioness of Altamont; and when this would generally be during the Doc-Bowick, for the sake of taking her boy tor's absence. Here, on the school side of the wall, there home as soon as he was fit to be moved, was a separate establishment of servants, her ladyship made a little mistake. With and a separate kitchen. There was no the sweetest and most carressing smile in sending backwards or forwards of food or | the world, she offered Mrs. Peacocke a tenclothes, -unless it might be when some pound note. "My dear madam," said Mrs. special delicacy was sent in if a boy were Peacocke, without the slightest reserve or unwell. For these no extra charge was difficulty, "it is so natural that you should ever made, as had been done in the case of do this, because you cannot of course young Stantiloup. Then a strange doctor understand my position; but it is alto-had come, and had ordered the wine and gether out of the question." The Marthe carriage. There was no extra charge chioness blushed, stammered, and begged for the kindly glasses of wine, which used a hundred pardons. Being a good-natur to be administered in quite sufficient | ed woman, she told the whole story to Mrs

Wortle. "I would just as soon have offer-Behind the school, and running down to | ed the money to the Marchioness herself," Bathurst, N. B. Feby, 20th 1896. the little river Pin, there is a spacious | said Mrs. Wortle, as she told it to her hus-3-26 cricket-ground, and a court marked out for | band. "I would have done it a deal soonlawn-tennis. Up close to the school is a racket-court. No doubt a good deal was done to make the externals of the place alluring to those parents who love to think that a school is a racket-court. No doubt a good deal was done to make the externals of the place alluring to those parents who love to think that their boys shall be made happy at school. Attached to the school, forming she had been a paid nurse. school. Attached to the school, forming part of the building is a pleasant, well-built residence, with six or eight rooms, built residence, with six or eig intended for the senior or classical assist- that respect. If there was sucht of sheme

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