

The earl has everything that this world can give—a beautiful devoted wife, beautiful, loving children, boundless wealth, perfect health, honour, fame and every good gift ; yet he looks sad at times. He hears that Lady G——'s daughters, fine, handsome girls though they are, are going all wrong, because they have no mother to train, or guard, or take care of them. It comes home to him then, and keeps his sins ever before his eyes. That is the inner life ; outwardly they are happy, prosperous, and beloved, and the world lays its fairest flowers at the foot of one who had trodden on sharp thorns before she reached the land of roses.

THE END.