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he became immediately conscious of a severe sprain, and it was only by the down from the house at the sight of the mmediately conveyed to his own apartment, as a bow-windowed cheerful bedroom, and little adjoining sitting-"oom, had been for many years always considered; and Margaret, after seeing him laid on a couch, and having summ-oned Mrs. Ramsey, the housekeeper, to dminister such remedies as her skill build suggest, proceeded to her father's brary, in order to acquaint him with be accident. She knocked at the door and receiving no answer, after two or aree attempts, opened it gently. Colonel

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doubted whether he was asleep, or deep a thought. It was awkward to wake a erson suddenly, either from sleep or fom abstraction, and she fidgeted about till her father suddenly turned round, and with a loud "Who is there ?" in her turn startied her. With a trembling turn startled her. With a trembling Voice, she related Walter's accident, and Scolonel Leslie looked at her pale cheek and anxious countenance, his own oftened, a d passing his arm kindly round her waist, he told her to show him the way to Walter's room. When they reached it, Mrs. Ramsay's fomentations had begun to take effect, at least it may be supposed so, for Walter received them with a smile, and an asurance that though he could not walk e did not suffer much. At the same me there was a slight contraction of is ferehead, and a nervous movement h his hands, that invalidated the truth the assertion; but Margaret was satislieves them from the irksome necessity being sorry.

tied by the leg, literally tied by the leg. Yes, yes, you volatile Old Walter, we elipped your wings, and now you nust stay, 'nolens volens,' as you used to say. You see I have not forgotten all my Latin."

"Well, if you have not for otten your English either, I shall get you to write a note to my mother, as you and Leslie seem to think I cannot go home at present."

"Of course not," cried Colonel Leslie; and, by the way, as that young Neville, who is on a visit to you, is the son of an margare

Lesre frmily: and as I showed.him where they stood, he inquired if I was a member of your family; and on hearing I was, or rather had been, your governess-" "Never mind, dear Dally," interrupted government for some time there-Margaret, laying her hand on the old after. lady's arm, "you never governed at all,

can amuse him in the evenings."

"Thank you," said Walter; "if it is not Thank you," said Walter; "if it is not inconvenient to you, I should like it," "Write to Mrs. Sydney, Margaret, and send a groom with the note. He must also call at Dr. Bartlet's on his way. Walter should see him to-night, for I can Observe by that restless twitting in the observe by that restless twitching in the og that he is still suffering."

Margaret went to the library to write her note. She thought it rather an important one. First, it was necessary to let Mrs. Sydney know of Welter's accident without frightening her then there was the message about Mr. Neville Very likely he would see this note—and Decole People are very apt to form their judg-ments of others from their notes. She would herself feel rather curious to read, note written by Edmund Neville, to night just feel the same curiosity about Sers. Indeed, had he not been a curious person, he would not have gazed so carnestly on her from behind these Cematis branches. In the silver inkand in the liprary, there were three black smeared, and one white one. Margaret chose the last. There is a peculia peculiar way in which people set about writing one of these important notes—a note that sets you thinking of the moment when it will be received, and the person who will real it. Generally, like Margaret, they select a new pen; they take the margaret and not too much for fear any word should be illegible : a fear that never seems to occur to them is ordinary cases, (what a blessing for their correspondents if it did;) and then they so carefully weigh the difference between two nearly synonymous worls, and it becomes a matter of consequence Whether they are their correspondents Very truly," or "very sincerely;" or "hather they are their correspondents hether they shall begin with a familiar Dear," or an impressive "My dear." from their part in that particular were. I should look mysterious, and instance. Margaret, however, had a sigh, and refuse to speak, as if you had topler process to depend upon for the bullied me within an incu of my life for tensmission of her letter than the comlicated machinery of the post-office, and having at length satisfied hesself as to saving at length satisfied hesself as to the composition, she consigned it to the hands of the butler, with an urgent order that a groom should take it instantly to Heron Castle, and wait for a nawer, not forgetting to call at Dr. Battet's on his way; and then she went in the courrences of the day, and on

on the occurrences of the day, and on their probable consequences. Most people feel the charm or the

so you shall be called governess as long as you please, even when I am a very old maid: but go on; never mind the dressing-bell-you need not make yourself smart. So Mr. Neville found out you were my governess! And how did you find out who he was?"

"As I left the lodge, I had seen him ride along the fishpond, and old James told me he was the youngster, as he called him, that was staying at Heron Castle.

"Now, tell me; what did he ask about me

"How old you were." "Hump! What was that to him, I wonder! And what else?" "He said, 'Was it not true that Miss Leslie had a charming disposition?" "Now, I should like to know what you

said in answer to that, Mrs. Dalton. Take care; you told me two days ago that I was the idlest, the vainest, and the most provoking young lady you had ever met with: yes, worse a great deal than Mrs. Atkin's seven daughters, or Sir Charles Butcher's nine—so now I hope you did not go and humbug poor Mr. Neville about me."

"I said, Miss Margaret, that I was not in the habit of talking over the character of my pupils, with strangers espe-cially; this I said with a bow and a smile, so as to show the young gentleman I was not offended, and on other subjects had no objection to talk to

"Well done, Dally! No doubt he supposes I am a little vixed, of whom istinct enough; and those long-tried in charity you hold your tongue about me. How ill-natured of you not to say that I was a little angel. It is what everybody expects of their governess in the direction never seems clear or in charity you hold your tongue about me. How ill-natured of you not to say that I was a little angel. It is what everybody expects of their governess you can say no good, and therefore that wel-trusted means of conveyance, letter-bags or letter-boxes, mail-coaches or mail-trains, all at once assume an wful character of insecurity, and no sort of confidence is felt that they will per-torm their part in that westimite only ask me what sort of governess

> "For shame, Miss Leslie," said Dally, trying to look grave. but giving, in spite

"The country, and the garden, and the neighbors, and Mr. Walter Sydney." "O, he spoke of Walter, did he? As he ought, I hope?"

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nvention. He took out a patent in 1785 but the conservative lords of the admiralty saw nothing good in it, and it was not recognized by the



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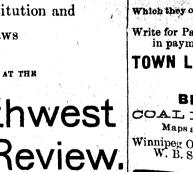
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