

THE WONDERFUL FLOWER OF WOXINDON.

An Historical Romance of the Times of Queen Elizabeth.

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CHAPTER XXVIII.—(Continued)

"See there," he rejoined, Windsor and Babington again! Depend upon it, this is their doing. Well, they shall hear of it some time or other. How and when was the escape discovered?" he inquired of the messenger.

all night, had not yet ceased, and the roads were in a terrible state. This did not tend to raise my spirits or those of my companion. We were wet through and covered with mud when we reached Harrow, and stopped before the house of Sir Richard Page, the mayor.

"What?" I exclaimed, "can that be possible? Bellamy is not more than ten or twelve years old. How can Miss Judith have eloped with him?"

I inquired whether it was Mr. Babington? "No," the girl replied, "the gentleman who married Miss Anne, but another, who had often come with him; rather a short gentleman with a high collar and brown hair."

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C. testified to Miss Cecil's having been there. The only members of the family who were at home were the old granddame, very infirm and feeble, one of her granddaughters and one of her sons, a goodnatured fellow, but partly imbecile.

On the mayor inquiring as to the whereabouts of her son Remy and her two granddaughters, she replied with perfect composure, that their absence either was or was not connected with an event concerning which the authorities had a right to make investigation.

To my faithful and dearly beloved, greeting and brotherly love! These lines, written in haste from the Thames, are to convey to you the joyful tidings that I have placed my sweetheart in safety on board the vessel in question, for which thanks be to God.

"A PLAYFUL MIRACLE." BY SUSAN L. EMERY. (Father Coleridge, in his "Life and Letters of St. Francis Xavier," speaks of the incident narrated below as "a playful miracle.")

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