sion, and set apart a room for the young girl. She also sold most of her own things and took Mildred's furniture out of storage, so that the place might seem familiar and homelike to her friend.

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When Roger had almost recovered his worded health, Mrs. Atwood told her husband that he must go with her to visit his brother in town, for the worthy woman had a project on her mind which she carried out with characteristic directness and simplicity.

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wood at breakfast, and partook of the cheer can ever make him, and he shall have her, offered them rather grimly and silently. too, for he is much too young and strong After the meal was over Roger's mother ont to get over all this before many years alone.

d, without any circumlocution.

"Brother-in-law, I've come to have a Life soon passed into a peaceful, busy "Brother-in-law. I've come to have a plain, honest talk with you, and if you're a true Atwood you'll listen to me. I want your wife and my husband to be present. We are nigh of kin, but we are forgetting ties which the Lord hath ordained. Ezra, I believe you are a good man at heart, but, like my husband, you set too much store by things that perish in the using. My boy has taught me that there are better things in this world, and we'll all soon be where we may look on money as a curse. You have not spoken to my son since last spring, and you've been cold toward us. I wan't you're doing; then if you go on in this way, you must settle it with your own conscience;" and with a homely pathos all her own she told the whole story.

The uncle at first tried to be grim and obstinate, but he soon broke down completely. "I'm glad you've come," he said huskily. "My conscience hasn't given me any peace for months, and I wanted to give in, but you know that it's like drawing an eye tooth for an Atword to give in. I'm proud of the boy, and he'll be a bless."

Life soon passed into a peaceful, busy routine. Roger was preparing himself for the junior class of college under the best of tutors, and his evenings, spent with Mildred, were usually prefaced by a brisk walk in the frosty air. Then he either read aloud to her or talked of what was Greek to good natured Mrs. Wheaton, who sat knitting in a corner discreetly blind and deaf. Unknown to Mildred, he was able to aid her very efficiently, for he taxed Mrs. Wentworth's ingenuity in the invention of all kinds of delicate fancy work, and that good lady, in the most business-like manner, gave the orders to Mildred, were usually prespered was Greek to good natured Mrs. Wheaton, who sat knitting in a corner discreetly blind and deaf. Unknown to Mildred, he was able to aid her very efficiently, for he taxed Mrs. Wentworth's ingenuity in the invention of all kinds of delicate fancy work, and that good lady, in the most business-like manner, gave the orders to Mildred, were usually pre

shall marry the girl if he wants to; and now that her old wretch of a father is dead, no harm need come of it. But they're young; they must wait until Roger is educated up to the best of 'em. Well, now that I've given it, there shall be no half-way work," and he insisted on sending for his lawyer and making his will in Roger's favor at once.

She and Vinton Arnold maintained quite a regular correspondence, and the fact occasioned the young man more than one stormy scene. His mother saw Mildred's letter before he received it, and the effect of the missive upon him, in spite of his efforts at concealment, were so marked that she at once surmised the source from which it came. The fact that sending for his lawyer and making his will in Roger's favor at once.

"I didn't come for any such purpose as this," said Roger's mother, wiping her eyes, while his father could scarcely conceal his exultation; "but I felt that it was time for us to stop living like heathen," and after a visit of a very different nature from the one they had feared, the worthy couple returned to Forestville well content with the results of their expedition.

Roger was jubilant over the news, and he hastened to impart it to Mildred, who was spending the remaining weeks of her sojourn in the country with her friend Mrs. Wilson.

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spite of his efforts at concealment, were so marked that she at once surmised the source from which it came. The fact that a few words from Mildred had done more for the invalid than all the expensive physicians and the many health resorts they had visited would have led most mothers to query whether the secret of good health had not been found. Mrs. Arnold, on the contrary, was only angered and rendered more implacable than ever against the girl. She wrote to her husband, however, to find out what he could about her family, believing that the knowledge might be useful. Mr. Arnold merely learned the bare facts that the Jocelyns had become greatly impoverished, that they were living in low was spending the remaining weeks of her sojourn in the country with her friend Mrs. Wilson.

"Millie," he said, "you shall never want again. My good fortune would be nothing to me unless I shared it with you."

But she disappointed him by saying, "No, Roger, you must let me live the independent life that my nature requires," and the lonly concession that he could obtain from her was a promise to receive his aid should any emergency require it.

Before Mildred's return a letter from Vinton Arnold was forwarded to her at Forestville, and it must be admitted that it gave her sad heart something like a thrill of happiness. It was an eloquent and grateful outpouring of affection, and was full of assurances that she had now given him a chance for life and happiness.

When she told Roger, he looked very grim for a moment, and then by a visible effort brightened up and said, "It's all right, Millie." After pacing she room for a few moments with a contracted brow, he few moments with a contracted brow, he few moments and then by a visible effort brightened up and said, "It's all right, Millie." After pacing she room for a rooment, and then by a visible effort brightened up and said, "It's all right, Millie." After pacing she room for a rooment, and then by a visible effort brightened up and said, "It's all right, Millie, you must grant me one request—you must not say anything the about mysen ?" she answered. "I want him to know that I owe everything to you, and I know that I owe everything to you, and I know that I owe everything to you, and I know that I want him to know that I want him to know that I want him to who the see the day when you will be the closest of friends."

"Well, that will be a good ways on. I must see him first, and learn more around. Mrs. Arnold became somewhat hysterical, and mixed up with the vilest and lowest people in the city, should not even be named in my presence."

"Her son gave a strange, vindictive look whom your son has given his best love, turned on his heel and left her. Mrs. Arnold b

hope to see the day when you will be the closest of friends."

"Well, that will be a good ways on. I must see him first, and learn more about him; and—well, friends related as Arnold will be to me are not common. I've too much of the old untamed man in me to go readily into that kind of thing. I will do anything in the world for you, but you must not expect much more till I have a few gray hairs in my head. Come, now, a few gray hairs in my head. Come, now, you must humor me's little in this affair; you can say generally that some friends were kind, and all that, without much

agreeable experiences. After I've seen him and get more used to it all, I may feel differently."

"You certainly will, Roger. Your life will gradually become rich, full, and happy, that some day you will look back in wonder at your present feelings."

"Life will be full enough if work can make it so; but you must not expect me to outgrow this. It will strengthen with my years. It's my nature as well as yours. But I foresee how it will be," he continued despondently; "I shall inevitably be pushed farther and farther into the background. In your happy home life."

Before he could utter another word Milbert it. If Vinton is jealous of you, if he fails in manly appreciation of you, I will fail the might provide the term of the proof she hand the will be to the fails in manly appreciation of you, I will fail the might provide the term of the proof she hand the will be will be a to the controlled that even he was at times tempted to forget how strong and passionate was her nature were the occasion sufficient to

pathetic listeners, but I am at least a man in years, and have the right to love her."

"Oh, certainly," said Mrs. Arnold angrily, "there is no law which can prevent your disgracing yourself and us."

"Nor is there any law per gospel, madam, for your unnatural, masympathetic course toward your own flesh and blood. Good-seening."

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"Now you see how strange and infatuated he has become," she said to her husband after her son's departure; but the old mer-chant shook his head in trouble and per-

Death of a Student of Shakespeare.

(New York Tribune, Jan. 3.)

A man of middle age was found dying in front of No. 9 Mulberry street yesterday morning. Before an ambulance could be summoned he was dead. For years this man was known in all the lower parts of the city as "Shakespeare" on account of his intimate knowledge of the poet, whose works he recited whenever and wherever he could find the chance, generally in liouor stores, where drinks paid him for his efforts. No one knew the man's real name. It was said that he had been an actor in England before liquor ruined him; that he received monthly remittances from well-to-do relations and remains the standard of the country of the city and the received monthly remittances from well-to-do relations. monthly remittances from well-to-do relatives in England and spent the money for rum was all that anyone positively knew about him. Two weeks ago he was taken to the Mulberry street station at night in a driving rain storm with only a shirt on.

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chant shook his head in trouble and perplexity.

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!'Well, well," he replied impatiently, "it will have to be so, I suppose; but nevertheless I believe we have been too hard with him."

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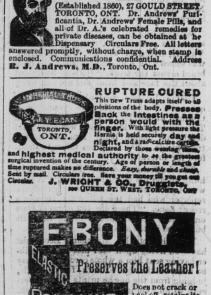
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