

TALES OF A GARRISON TOWN.

HOW CROSSAWAY BETRAYED HIS FRIEND.

"So life's year begins and closes,
Days though short'ning still can shine.
What though youth gave love and roses,
Age still leaves us friends and wine."

—MOORE.

TIPTON was only three-and-twenty when he came to Halifax with the Slashers. He had gone into the army for no other reason than that of friendship. His father was immensely rich and could afford to gratify any of his son's whims; and when Jack Crossaway, Tipton's old college chum, bought a commission in the Slashers, Tipton prevailed on his father to do the same for him. Crossaway was three years the elder, and had knocked about the world a good deal, while his friend had seen little of life outside of school and college. When the Slashers left Southampton old Tipton came down from London to see his son off. Before the regiment embarked he