

or other, this news about Mary has cheered me immensely."

"Forty dollars a week, forty a week," said Mrs. Martin, "and we wish no more money for the bird-room."

"It isn't the money altogether," said Mr. Martin.

"Oh, I know, I know," said Mrs. Martin, with a playful tap on his arm. "I understand you, Henry, and that is the best thing in the world—to be understood and sympathized with. Don't work too hard and come home early, and we will do some digging in our garden."