

some day it would be better for them and better for others.

Lily paid a couple more visits, gave away a few dollars, and returned home with a heavy heart.

She knew now what the strike meant to hundreds of the poor. For in the two other small homes she called at, the people who occupied them had not been so well prepared to face the difficulties of the bad times, and when the strike had lasted a week they were at the end of their tether. Here she saw starvation staring parents and children in the face, and was conscious of that hopelessness which is always the worst thing in the world for those in trouble.