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"Since then these palatial apartments have been a social center for our citizens and the beautiful and accomplished daughters, Helena and Lucile, of whom we shall have more to say presently, have won friends on every hand, while the Banker has mingled but little in society and has been much absorbed in his large financial interests here and in New York. Since opening his private banking establishment, known as the Mark Ashton Banking Company, he has done a very large business in notes, exchange and stocks, his principal dealings being on New York Stock Exchange where he was generally represented by his agent, Mr. Parish. He has also done a very large business in the farming community through local agents. He was also interested in real estate in our city and has made most fortunate ventures in the erection of several new blocks and apartment houses, so that rich as he was, when he came into our midst, it is popularly reported that his wealth has doubled within the last three years. Large as his fortune is known to be no one has ever been able to gain from him or from his clerk any direct hint as to the amount of his wealth, but a well informed business man of our city, who is likewise interested in the Stock

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