

When asked her name, she only answered, "They call me 'Little Good-for-nothing.'" From what could be gathered, she had no mother, nor father, nor friends, but was one of the little homeless waifs of whom there are, alas! so many in great London city.

She was a strange mixture of shrewdness and ignorance, and showed at times a capacity for great tenderness and love, but would, on the slightest provocation, break out into fits of ungovernable passion, and used language which shocked the attendants to her. Owing to this her old name clung to her, and here as elsewhere she was "Little Good-for-nothing." But of late the child had been waking up to thoughts and feelings which before she had never dreamed of. She had seen how on visiting days the children's eyes had grown bright with expectancy, and how, when the doors were opened, fathers, mothers and friends had hastened in, eager to see their little darlings. None were so poor but that they had some one to love them, except poor "Little Good-for-nothing;" and she had watched, with a hungry yearning at her heart, some mother clasp her child in her arms, and press her to her breast, and murmur over her as though she could never make enough of her. And then the little orphan would turn her face to the wall and sob, for at last she had awoke to the fact that in all the wide world there was none who loved and cared for her. Some such thoughts as these were filling the child's heart this afternoon, as faint and weary she lay back, with white face, and eyes closed, on her pillow.

There is a stir and bustle in the room which causes her to raise her eyelids, and she sees the nurse passing down the ward, and arms filled with exquisite roses. "Oh, how beautiful!" "Oh, how lovely!" burst from the child's lips as, pain and weariness forgotten, they sat up, stretching out their hands for the much loved treasures.

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