

The Career of Mrs. Osborne

CHAPTER I

A BACKGROUND

WHEN Captain George Wilton of the Royal Irish Fusiliers, only son of Colonel and Mrs. Wilton of The Cedars, Elmhurst, Berkshire, married an American, his mother fainted. When, two years after, he sent his wife and her sister home from India to reside under the parental roof-tree until his return, she fainted no more. Instead, a fine light of battle rose in her small brown eyes with the advent of the two daughters of Heth. They should be shown what it meant to brave an outraged English mother in her own drawing-room.

And shown they were throughout an English Winter, with kind advice and other things that