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> much happier we would be ! AMY STEVENSON.

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The Garden of a Commuter's Wife.

(By Mabel Osgood Wright.)

CHAPTER IX.—Continued.

No, Bluff gave the growl that announced a stranger, who knocked with masculine vigor.

Enter Mrs. Mullins—a one-time cook, but now a portly Irish matron, owner of a smooth tongue, that lies comfortably and coaxes successfully, a cow, two pigs, numerous fowls, and an onion field, in addition to a husband and five daughters. spite of being a perfectly healthy woman, she had come to father at diverse times with the symptoms of all the ordinary diseases at her tongue's end, of which same troubles she was miraculously cured by chalk powders and brown dough pills, so I went directly for her chief foible.

Well, Mrs. Mullins, what is amiss with you to-day? Is the pain in your head or your heels? For you are too thrifty to leave home before dinner time merely to make a call.'

"And yer right and yer wrong, Miss Barbara, darlint; God forgive me, for Mrs. it is ! I'm never the one for gallivantin' in the mornin' widout cause; but, all the same, the trouble's not mine, but another's, and, as it's well-nigh noon, I'll make It's Dalia. Your short words of it. Dalia that has shook of her match and has asked me, she bein' ashamed to face it and expectin' reproaches, if you'll kape her on in her place, for she's entoirely out of the notion of marriage.

Delia not going to be married! and her wedding gown bought, and the date set for Christmas, after all the talk of the fine house Patsy's mother was to deed to them on the wedding day?"

That same talk's the meat of the trouble entoirely-Dalia give out about the day and the house. Mrs. Doolan she smoiled an' says, 'There's toime enough yet. Patsy's but a lad only thirty-five come Easter Av course, and him my only son and me a widdy, when I bespoke Dalia for him' (for they do say it was the mother that fixed the match to plaze him, Patsy bein' too bashful), 'I give promise o' the house on the weddin' day,' givin' a big wink, 'but that same day is not yit set.

" Dalia claimed she'd bring Mother Doolan round all so fine, and worked Patsy to backing her up, for as they'd been keepin' company two years come Michaelmas, she'd the right of thinkin' of being settled, and settled now it is. It wor well before dark Hallowe'en when Patsy come creepin' up the lane wid Dalia, she laughin' and confident, well pleased wid herself, and castin' her black eyes around sassy like. But he wor unaisy, and all broken out on the face wid sweat, though a cool evenin'

Says I to my oldest daughter, Kate, who was home, there bein' a strike in the shoeshop, 'Puttin' it together wid the words the old woman spoke the day, they're a-walkin' reckless near home.' 'Look, mother, for the love o' heaven, they're agoin' in! Dalia t'reatened to have it out, and there'll be music for

And widout another word, us 'wo being o' wan moind, clipped out THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

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