THE TWO MANDOLIN PLAYERS

as if he had paid them Money to come along and make Music for him.

They unlimbered their Mandolins and began to play a Sousa March. He asked Myrtle if she had seen the New Moon. She replied that she had not, so the went Outside.

When Fred and Eustace finished the First Piece, Gus appeared at the open Window, and asked them to play "The Good Old Summer T. ne," which had always been one of his Favorites.

So they played that, and when they had Concluded there came a Voice from the Outer Darkness, and it was the Voice of Myrtle. She said: "I'll tell you what to Play; play the Intermezzo."

Fred and Eustace exchanged lances. They began to Perceive that they had been backed into a Siding. With a few Potted Palms in front of the s, and two Cards from the Union, they would have been just the same as a Hired Orchestra.

But they played the Intermezzo and felt [181]