

## Book I.

*EASTER HOLIDAYS.*

## CHAPTER I.

## THE ARRIVAL OF THE IMPISH GIRL.



INA CARLINGFORD had been away in Brussels for two years. She had gone there when she was thirteen, and had stayed for the first six months with an aunt, who had looked after her, and then had been placed at an excellent school in the Avenue Louise. Her coming home was a great event, more particularly as it was very doubtful whether she would go back again.

Kenneth and Malcolm were strictly of the opinion that she would be very troublesome, and give herself airs, and would interfere with them in their different vocations. They went to an excellent