RACHEL'S TROTH

THE LOST MAN

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on the mirid sea, with a marine telescope resting tile in her hand, was Mrs. Halstead, but her hand, was Mrs. Halstead, but her hand, was Mrs. Halstead, but her thoughts were not entirely upon the good boat "Bonnie Heas," fading away like a speck in the distance. In her poolset was a note neathy written and tenderly expressed, and addressed to Harry, which had come that day from "Forfar Lodge," the residence of Mr. Morrison. It was penned by Rachel, and briefly stated that they were to have some friends with them that night and would be delighted with his company. A post-acript—every fady puts one of these to he latters—delicately added that Rachel had something to tell him which would at once dispel the manuferstanding between them and make them happy as before. Mrs. Halstead had not spoken of the note to wards the letter rack by the fireplace, but he had not taked if a letter had come. There why should he be tormanted by a girl who had made him unhappy at one time and the next tried to woo him bask by a bold unmai lenly letter? The stern mother reasoned that he would be better away from Rachel? a power and presence. "Im gied he has gone with the fathers away from Rachel? a power and presence. "There was no where the wool had been the wind had risen outside to something like and other time and the next tried to woo him bask by a bold unmai lenly letter? The stern mother reasoned that he would be better away from Rachel? a power and presence. "In gied he has gone with the fathers away from Rachel? a power and presence. "There was no where the wool had been the wind had risen outside to something like a gale." "In gied he has gone with the fathers was not the next tried to woo him bask then that he should be better away from Rachel? a power and presence. "There was not the next free delication of the next free delicatio

"He will not think anything unmaiden.

If that you can do, or he is not the manly
fellow I take him for," said John Hunter,
with an enthusiasm which made Rachel
sigh over his hopeless admiration for self.
He slipped quietly out of the room and was
gone on his mission of kindness before
Annie Merrilees turned from the piano.
When she did finish the fantasis so fearwills and wonderfully made, and rise from derfully made, and rise from the stool, the first she missed was John Hunter, and when she found herself beside one of her ardent and abject slaves instead, she could almost have slapped the gentleman's face in sheer petitalness and resentiment. Her answers were the most sullen, snappish, and cutting that could come from the lips of a woman for the mext half hour; but when, at the end of that time, John Hunter appeared in the room, and was immediately engrossed in conversation, with Rachel on the other side of the room, Annie's companion was electrified and thrilled by her suddenly beaming over with smiles and sweet words, all directed to himself. Simple young man! He saw no John Hunter opposite, whose jealough the smiles and attention were intended to rouse; and still more simple Annie Merrilees not to see that John Hunter was so absorbed with Rachel as to not even know the pretty first was in the room, for the young millispinner's words were almost carrying death to Rachel's heart, and he could not look on her face, pale and rigid, and her quivering lips and tear-filled eyes, and see any one else. He had gone to Rose Cottage, but found larry away—out at sea for the night with the fishers. He had been home and had been in the house long enough to have read the larry away—out at sea for the night with the fishers. He had been home and had been in the house long enough to have read the larry away—out at sea for the night with the fishers. He had been home and had ceme in merry and happy-like—whishing and the private in fisher garb. But he had never who has tester than the province of the story of the world, yet he change the head all the sectors of the rough and the province of the story of the s the stool, the first she missed was John Hunter, and when she found herself beside one of her artent and abject slaves in-stead, she could almost have slapped the

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