FOR THE DEFENCE.

CHAPTER I.

MRS. TREGARTIN GIVES HER EVIDENCE.

"CALL Emily Tregartin."

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The witness, a woman with a pleasant face, of about forty-five years of age, decently dressed, stepped into the box, and was sworn.

- "Your name is Emily Tregartin?"
- "Yes, sir, it is."
- "You are a married woman?"
- "I am, sir. My husband is a gardener."
- "Where do you reside?"
- "In Brentingham, at No. 4, Love Lane."
- "Have you any family?"
- "One little boy, sir. Jimmy."
- "How far is your cottage from Brentingham Forest?"
- "About three-quarters of a mile."
- "How far from Rocky Reaches?"
- "About a mile, perhaps."
- "In the same direction as the forest?"