

## SYNOPSIS OF THE-COMEDIETTA.

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HENRY HARRIS, a young Englishman, rather a prig, perhaps a bit of a snob, has married in Halifax. His wife, BELLA, a charming young woman, has had, mainly, a home education. Her husband, who sets up for being a man of intellect, is inclined to snub her in consequence. Taking this to heart, she secretly devotes herself to study; attends classes and lectures at Dalhousie, and works at the Art School, and rather neglects her home duties. HENRY becomes suspicious of her mysterious movements, and abuses her to her mother-in-law, who lives with them, for her seeming frivolity and dissipation. MRS. HARRIS, the mother-in-law, reveals her daughter's secret to quiet him. HENRY is delighted at first with his wife's course of study and her learning, but is soon overwhelmed with the flood of erudition she lets loose upon him, and has cause to regret the days of her ignorance and simplicity. He proceeds to wean her from her new studies by an increased display of affection, and finally accomplishes his purpose by proposing a compensatory tour in Europe, during which they will renew their honeymoon together.

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The author does not hold himself personally responsible for the opinions of Mr. Henry Harris, who is as depicted above, and is only painted in character.