had read the true, earnest nature, the power of self-sacrifice, in her eyes. God bless and God keep her! I said it to myself every time I thought of her, and those times were not few.

That day I purchased a Clytie, the fac simile of my own. At night I took it home with me, and I wrote, to go with it, these words:

'Will Miss Hastings permit her fellow-boaderr to offer her a gift, the acceptance of which will confer much pleasure? Her admiration of the Clytie intimates that I have lowered myself in your estimation by my forwardness, in intimates that I have lowered myself in your estimation by my forwardness, the your estimation by my forwardness, and the boarders. This may be so, alas! I fear it is. I could bear all else, but to have lost your respect is terrible. You were very kind to me, and it was so sweet to have a friend. Do not think any worse of me than you can help. If I have been forward and presuming, it was because I knew so little or life. I shall remember your goodness, and be

was because I knew so little or life. I shall remember your goodness, and be grateful to you forever,
was so hearty and genuine that, he hinks to possess it may contribute slightly to her happiness.
I rang for Ellen; and begged her to ake the bust and the little note upstairs. Presently she came back, bringing with her a few lines written in pencil:

'I accept your gift, as I am sure it was meant. You have designed to give pleasure to one who possesses few resources for amusement, and be sure hat you have succeeded. I thank you more than I can say.'

She has received it, as I was sure she would, with a simple dignity and gratitude which, had my motives been evil, would have repelled me far more effectually than any sarcastic refusal respected all women. It was part of my early training at the hands of the best of mothers; but already I reverenced that young sewing girl more than any woman I had ever seen.

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Then I met her on the stairs. It was I asked for Miss Hastings at the door, Then I met her on the stars. It was eight o'clock, or past, in the evening. I was going out, after my customary chat with Mrs. Lee in the parlour, and I met her coming in. Her face was very pale, and she stepped wearily. She smiled a little when she saw me, and, stopping, held out her hand.

Tasked for Miss Hastings at the door, and presently she came to me in the little reception room where I had been shown. She looked as if she had almost wept herself blind, poor child. You do not despise me, Mr. Prescott, or you would not have come to see me? Her voice trembled.

and, stopping, held out her hand.

'You were very kind, Mr. Prescott, and I am more grateful than I can say,' 'I only wish,' I responded, eagerly, 'that I could—that you would let me contribute to your pleasure now and then. You look tired, and I can't bear to see a young girl like you wearing I like you wearing the contribute to see mer'

'Despise you! Nora, I love you with as a Retail Day Goods and Clothing as a Retail Day Goods a

to see a young girl like you wearing herself out.'

'It can't be helped, Sir. I'm only too thankful that I have something to do. I need nothing; all my wants are supplied. It is pleasant to feel that I After a while I sent for Mrs. Miles

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that night were rosier than any of the hopes of my by-gone youth.

We had a couple of pleusant hours the portures. Now that I had begun to think of Nora as one who might some day make my world, I saw new charms in every hour. It was a pleasure to show her works of art. She had seen widely discussed, but never thoroughly explained. Of the various theories there are two which attract the most belief. One is that space is filled with floating masses and that our aerolites are that portion of them that comes with in the sphere of the earth's attraction. seen me, though of course I had seen Mr. Prescott, the new boarder. Goodevening, Sir.'

Frem the servant I found out that Miss Hastings finished off dresses, and trimmed them, and made mantillas.

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She stopped and wiped her eyes on the corner of her calico apron. Man though I was I could have wept with her easily. It went to my very heart to think of the poor young thing doing patiently and secretly such works of mercy. But I was not surprised. I had read the true, earnest nature, the power of self-sacrifice, in her eyes. God bless and God keep her! I said it at I have lost the respect of the show her works of an appreciated them with such a fine, inborn taste.

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