

WHEN I MEAN TO MARRY.

When I mean to marry—Well, my life is a struggle with fate; But if you choose to have me tall, Pray Heaven will I fit the date.

THE DOCTOR'S WARD

OR, PLOTTING FOR A FORTUNE.

By George W. Warner.

CHAPTER XX.

FELIX VASILLA MAKES A REVELATION.

Andrew Vasilla was very uneasy concerning the long continued absence of his son, from whom he had received but one letter since the journey to the west.

When the old man, therefore, was greatly relieved when his son entered the office, one winter morning, as unceremoniously as if he had been absent but a day or two.

When their greetings had been exchanged, Vasilla, senior, was so anxious to learn all that Felix had done and said out during his absence, that he questioned him on the subject as soon as the young man had had time to light a cigar and settle himself in his chair.

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ALL parties indebted to the Estate of Edward Lane late of Union Street, New Perth, either by Note of Hand Book Account, or otherwise, are hereby requested to settle immediately, and save expense.

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