Still water and elsewhere Years after the war was over, and rather late in life he married a. Miss Esten, a young Vitshin agentlewoman, who brought him additional pride, but very little wealth. Percy never forgot his connection, but kept up correspondence with his kinefolk on the other side of the Atlantic. His son did the same. But when the older branch died out a 1 the title fell to the son, he neverialmed it. His uncle, his father's elder brother, had foined in cutting of the entail, and being spendthrifts both, when the last Lord Orrhugton died the family estate had gone. The American heir was wealthy for the side of the cocean, but he had not enough to support a proper state as a nobleman, and he never claimed his place in the percage. Nother did the grandson, although he added to his means by welding the wealthy Miss Sackville, and he feel as plain American (titsen. As for the great-grandson. John Sackville or the family by the death of both partery, and harden dway. He had enough to maintain him and his slaters in good style, and to tel them wander about during summed to Long Branch or Saratogn, or the White Sulphur, or where they would, and he was quite content. He was a good-looking bachelor of nine-and are good-looking bachelor of nine-and way. He had enough to maintain him and his slaters in good style, and to a good-looking bachelor of nine-and way and though not particularly averse to maintunony, declared he would remain eingle until after his sisters had been married. If she meant to "Oh," cried John, laughing, "I had longotten that you didn't know our stream of the good was the sisters of the family saked of Marjan." What does keep little Miss Ugiy?"

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"Jack I" and "Eimore I" were the words of recognition that were interchanged, and the mist familiar with Lis history. He was an only son. His starten had died within a year, and left him a number of houses and farms, with stocks rad bonds running well up in the millions, besides a vast amount of mining property, scattered over

be worth a large sum. The elder Braxton had a fondness for burying his surplus money underground. If a new mining company were to be organized, whether for silver in Colorado, or copper in Michigan, or iron in New Jersey, or coal in Pennsylvania, the projector always found him a willing victim. In most cases, however, the victim became a victor. Good luck seemed to attend him. The ventures nearly all turned out well notation to be a support of the projector always found him, or he will not be a support of the projector of the p

Little Miss Ugly.

Thomas Dunn English in Harpers.

The Orringtons were by no menoact by their set, simply because they
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none else, holding thenselves as of the
noblesse. And it must be owned that
they had a streak of the blue blood.
The paternal great-grandfather, Pero,
trington, was an Englishman, the
younger brother of a noble house, who,
to escape the woes of younger brotherhood, when a young man of twentty,
brought aimself and his small portion
to the colony of Pennsylvania. He
obtained a grant of a large tract of
tand in the western part of the colony,
settled there as a bachelor, and notunstely kept his se tip safe from the
Indians. This was a short time beforce the colonies revolted. He took
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still water and elsewhere. Years
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Braxton started suddenly and repeated the last three words of the question.

"Oh," cried John, laughing, "I had
forgotten that you didn't know our
domestic slang. The name is fastened
on Mangaret, but it has no reference
to her looks. When she was a buby and
was teething she was rather fretful,
and father playfully called her 'Little
Miss Ugly.' It grow into a pet name
with all of us, much to mother's disgust. It vexes her, though, and we
only use it inadvertently, just as it
came out now."

"Margaret is a nice little girl,
"Margaret is a nice little girl,

only use it inadvertently, just as a came out now."

"Margaret is a nice little girl, though unformed as yet," said Marian." She is not as impulsive as she used to be, though she is still little more than a child."

"Peggy's impulses are good ones, Marian," said John.

"Oh, of course, or she wouldn't be an Orrington; but they do lead to ridiculous consequences sometimes. Just think of that tramp."

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"It is commonplace enough, Elimore," observed Jack, "but it gave us lots of fun at the time. Just after we were graduated you went off somewhere for a tramping four and I came home and we all went up to the country house. Margaret was a girl of twelve then, in short dresses and fond of climbing fences and rambling round, which accounts for her rather robust health. Grandfather Sackville—that was the year before he died—gave her a ten-dollar gold place for spending money. She didn't like to break it and carried it around in her pocket. Off she went next day to a famous blackberry patch we had at one end of the place, interding doubless to eat her fill, childlike. She happened to be near the fence when she say two ill-looking fellows crouching under the bank—the road is deep-cut there. She hid among some copplice and watched them, fearing to let them see her. Presently a young fellow came along whistling. The two tramps suddenly sprang on him. According to Margaret's account he was a plucky chan and fought like a tiger, but the two tramps were too much for him. They knocked him down and turned out his pockets, captured his watch and made off, leaving him faint and breeding. When they were gone, Peggy came out, acted the cood Samaritan and wiped the blood off his face with 'r haudkerchtef. He thanked her and asked who she was. 'Oh. I'm little Miss Ugiy,' was her reply. Then, as she thought he was left destitute, she forced the ten-dollar gold-piece in his hand and by that time, I suppose gor frightened at her own boldness. At all events she ran away and reached home trembling. When she told her story we all laughed, except grandfather; he was incensed and declared he wouldn't give her anything for six months. And now comes the old part of it. While we were discussing the master and poking fun at the little girl in walked our man Patrick with a letter in his hand. He was very indigmant. 'It is for you, Miss Margaret.' A blagyard beyart towld me to give it

note in it and had some words written ir lead pencil. The substnee of this was thanks for kindness and a statement that the money was not needed and so returned, the ruffians having only got some loose change, but that he retained the coin itself as a souvenir. A rather polite tramp, wasn't he?" Margaret had entered unobserved and heard the last part of the story. "He wasn't a tramp," she said "He had on a plain gray suit and a slouched

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and heard the last part of the story, which are a gentleman."

"Margaret always defends that tramp," said Marian. 'She wont to far then as to say shed marry him when she grew up. What a ridiculous child she was."

"Are you of the same mind yet, Miss Margaret?" inquired Braxton with a quisteal look.

"Ha never came back to ask me, MF Braxton," repiled Margaret, blushing, and there the matter dropped.
Braxton said very little during the meal. The story or something else set him to thinking, and he cart furtive giances at the young girl, as though he was interested. However, when they all parted at the work heard. However, when they all parted at the work heard. However, when they all parted at the work heard. However, when they all parted at the work heard. However, when they all parted and the work weeks from that time when Braxton dropped by on the Orrinstons. As Jack bad desirch, he brought his traps for a stay, but came alone, leaving his hody servant behind. He became domewicated at once, though Jack, Philladolphia-like, carried him around to see the sights On some of these securisions the young ladies went also. Braxton was voo be a fish to be without orders to land hintentions." This did not reveal to the work of the securision of the continuous of the securisions the young ladies went also. Braxton was too be a fish to be without orders to land hintentions." This did not provent others. When he was introduced to "our sel", from attempts to suppain when he was been been and she could shake him 7 on Margaret when a disposed as he large was a more an old fellow several town, when he was a mice an old fellow several town, the province of the security of the security

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"See here, Jack." said Braxton, seriously, "I had rather unload on some once less. I know they are very sanguine about striking the Musinagon vein, which they thirk extends to the Ojihway, but let me tell you a secret. They intend to make an assessment of a dollar a share to sink that shaft further, and if they strike the vein, then they'll make another levy to improve the snelling works. Take my advice and keep out of it."

"If you don't sell me, some one else will. I am bound to have the stock."

"Well, you can lave all my stock at three, but I will give you three days in which to back out. You can take it or not in the meantime.

The next day Jack came home very much excited. His friend was our somewhere. Jack ran into the sitting-room, where the sirks were, and was evidently much perturbed.

"What is the matter?" enquired Marian, looking up from her embrodery frame, at which she was killing time.

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"Matter? It's a case of 'so near and yet so far.' You heard me taiking with Elmore about the Ojibway stock vesterday?"

"Well, they've struck the vein they were after. Not a doubt of it. The street is full of the news. Sharee have jumped up to seventeen, and not to be had at that. If Braxton had closed with me yesterday! But now it would be asking too much."

I should think it would be," replied Marian, drily. She vas feeling a prospective interest in the Braxton profits.

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"Didn't he give you the refusal for
three days?" asked Margaret, looking
up from a book she was reading.

"Yes; but no papers passed, and—""
"His word was passed," retorted
Margaret. "Mr. Braxton is a man of
honour, and you'll get your stock."

"You're too grood to live in this sinful world," smeered Marn. "Tou
vipect a man to throw away so much
money on the ground of a dinner table
talk?"

"I expect a man to keep his word,
Marian. He told Jack that he had
three days to take the wtock at three
dollars or not If he were to break his
word because he would loss by it, I
would despise him."

"Much he cares for that. Peg." retorted Marian. The boll rans, and presently Braxton sauntered into the
roon,."

"Have you heard the news about
officers."

"Yes. It is all right," replied Braxtom. "I congratulate you If you soil at present prices—and I advise you not to wait for a further rise—you'll clear over two hundred thousand dollars."

"Do you mean to saw that I can have the block at three ""

"That was our understanding yesterday, I thought."

"It seems," said Jack, hestatingly, "like giving me those profits."

"Nothing of the kind. It is a plain business transaction, and you are lucky. I lose nothing. My father got the slock at one dollar during its low and the shock at one dollar during its low at che And then, you know, one ought to do something for a—prospective brother-lin-law."

"Well," murmured Marian to herself, that is the most extraordinary way of popping the question." But she smilled.

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