
CUPID AND THE CANDIDATE

the outer door, followed by a manly footstep in the hall.

"See who it is, Prue," the Squire commanded; but Prue seemed unable to move. Her face was flushing and paling by turns and her lips trembling.

"Come along in," called the Squire, and in response a tall form filled the doorway. Prue went slowly forward, and the man in the doorway seemed to see only her. As she drew near he held out his arms, and she, all doubts and fears forgotten, went straight into them, lifting her face to the lips that were seeking hers.

Mrs. Bevis, laughing and crying at once, turned to explain matters to the Squire, and found that already the latter's comprehension had brought him also to the point of laughter and tears.