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There were blinding tears in Rose's eyes as she read the few lines, and involuntarily she pressed her lips to the paper, which she knes, had been touched by Maggie Miller's hands. "My sister—sister Maggie," she repeated, and at the seemed of the grave hidden in the deep recesses of her heart, where grew no flower of hope or semblance of earthly joy.

Thus little know mankind of each other!

CHAPTER X.

On the Hillsdale hills the October sun was shining, and the forest trees were doming their robes of scarlet and brown, when again the old stone house presented an air of joy-one words, it in the struggle, and Eenry Warner shall never know how sorely it was wrung."

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The resolution gave her strength, and rising up, she, too, sought the house, where, retiring to her room, she penned a hasty note to Maggie, growing calmer with each word she

"I grant your request," she said, "and take you for a sister well beloved. I had a half-sister once they
say, but she died when a little babe.
I never looked upon her face, and
connected with her birth there was connected with her birth there was too much sorrow and humiliation for me to think much of her, save as of one who, under other circumstances, might have been dear to me. And yet, as I grow older, I often find myself wishing she had lived, for my father's blood was in her veins. But I do not even know where her grave was made, for we only heard one winter morning years ago, that she was dead, with the mother who bore her. Forgive me, Maggie dear, for saying so much about that little child. Thoughts of you, who are to be my sister, make me think of her, who, had she lived, would have been a young lady now. Detroit, Mich., and it will all immediately be sent you free.

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The letter was finished, and Rose gave it to her brother, who after its perusal, kissed her, saying: "It is right, my darling. I will send it to-morrow with mine; and now for a ride. I will see what a little exercise can do for you. I do not like the color of your face."

But neither the fragrant summer air, nor yet the presence of Henry

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But neither the fragrant summer air, nor yet the presence of Henry Warner, who tarried several days, could rouse the drooping Rose; and when at last she was left alone, she sought her bed, where for many weeks she hovered between life and death, while her brother and her aunt hung over her pillow, and Maggie, from her woodland home, sent many an anxious inquiry and message of love to the sick girl. In the close atmosphere of his countingroom, George Douglas, too, again battled manfully with his olden love, listening each day to hear that she was dead. But not thus early was Rose to die, and with the wan, ing summer days she came slowly lead to the sick way have been some some some slowly lead to the searty was Rose to die, and with the wan, ing summer days she came slowly lead to the searty was the search was not search and search was she came slowly lead to the search was she search was she came slowly lead to the search was she say that she was she search was she search was she search was she say the search was she search was she say the search was she search was she search was she say the search was she search was she say the search was she search was she say the s was Rose to die, and with the wan.
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she walked the earth, like one who
having struggled with a mighty sorrow, had won the victory at last;
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BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS

On the Hillsdale hills the October sun was shining, and the forest trees were donning their robes of scarlet and brown, when again the old stone house presented an air of joyous expectancy. The large, dark parkors were thrown open, the best chambers were afred, the bright, autumnal flowers were gathered and in tastefully arranged bouquets adorned the mantels, while Theo and Maggle, in their best attire, flitted uneasily from room to room, running somefrom room to room, running some-times to the gate to look down the grassy road which led from the high-way, and again mounting the tower stairs to obtain a more extended

stairs to obtain a more extended view.

In her pleasant apartment, where last we left her with a sprained ankle, Mrs. Jeffrey. too, fidgeted about, half sympathizing with her pupils in their happiness and half regretting the cause of that happiness, which was the expected arrival of George Douglas and Henry Warner, who, true to "their promise, were coming again "to try for a week the Hillsdale air, and retrieve their character as fast young men." So, at least, they told Mrs. Jeffrey, who, mindful of her exploit with the banner, and wishing to make some amends, met them alone on the threshold, Maggie having. at the last moment "ran away," while Theo sat in a state of dignified perturbation upon the sofa.

A few days prior to their arrival, letters had been received from Madam Conway saying she should probably remain in England two or three weeks longer, and thus the house was again clear to the young men, who, forgetting to receive their characters, fairly outdid all they had done before. The weather was remarkably clear and bracing, and the greater part of each day was spent in the open air, either in fishing, riding or hunting, Maggietteaching Henry Warner how to ride and leap, while he in turn taught her to shoot a bird upon the wing, until the pupil was equal to her master! In these out-door excursions, George Douglas and Theo did not always join, for he had something to say which he would rather tell her in the silent parlor, and which, when told, furnished food for many a quiet conversation. So Henry and Maggie rode oftentimes alone, and old Hagar, when she saw them dashing past her door, Maggie usually taking the lead, would shake her hand and muitter to hersli: "Twill never do—that match. He ought to hold her back, instead of leading her on. I wish Madam Conway would come home and end it."

Mrs. Jeffrey wished so, too, as night after night her slumbers were disturbed by the sounds of merriment which came up to her from the parlor below, where the young people were "enjoying themselves," as Maggie said wh

was served at an unusually late hour in the dining-room, the door of which opened out upon a closely latticed piazza.

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"I wish we could think of something new to do," said Maggie, as she presided at the table; "something real funny." Then, as her eyes fell upon the dark piazza, where a single light was burning dimly, she exclaimed: "Why can't we get up tableaux? There are heaps of the queerest clothes in the big oaken chest in the garret. The servants can be audience, and they need some recreation!"

The suggestion was at once approved, and in half an hour's time the floor was strewn with garments of every conceivable fashion, from long stockings and small-clothes to scarlet cloaks and gored s irts, the latter of which were imneliately donned by Hepry Wainer, to the infinite delight of the rervants, who enjoyed sceing the grotesque costumes, even if they did not exactly understand what the tableaux were intended to represent. The banner, too, was brought out, and after bearing a conspicuous part in the performance, was placed at the end of the dining-room, where it would be the first thing visible to a person opening the door opposite. At a late hour the servants retired, and then George Douglas, who took kindly to the luccious old wine which Maggie again had brought from her grandmother's choicest store, filled a goblet to the brim, and pledging first the health of the young girls, drank to "the old lady across the water," with whose goods they were thus making free!

Henry Warner rarely tasted wine, for though miles away from Rose, her influence was around him; so, filling his glass with water, he, too, drank to the wish that "the lady across the sea would remain there yet awnile, or at all events net sumble upon us to-night!"

"What if she should!" thought Maggie, glancing around at the different articles scattered all over the floor, and laughing as she saw in

fancy her grandmother's look of dismay should she by any possible chance obtain a view of the room, where perfect order and quiet had been wont to reign.

But the good lady was undoubtedly taking her morning nap on the shores of old England. There was no danger to be apprehended from her unexpected arrival, they thought; and just as the clock struck one the young men sought their rooms,

her unexpected arrival, they thought; and just as the clock struck one the young men sought their rooms, greatly to the relief of Mrs. Jeffrey, who, in her long night robes, with streaming candle in hand, had more than a dozen times leaned over the banister, wondering "if the carouse would ever end."

It did end at last, and tired and sleepy, Theo went directly to her chamber, while Maggie staid below, thinking to arrange matters a little, for their guests were to leave on the first train, and she had ordered an early breakfast. But it was a hopeless task, the putting of that room to rights; and trusting much to the good nature of the house-keeper, she finally gave it up and went to bed, forgetting in her drowsiness to fasten the outer door, or yet to extinguish the lamp which burned upon the sideboard.

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