THE YOUNG ACADIAN.

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did not do something desperate. To think that my wife should prove so wicked! She knew that I was troubled with heart disease, and had lived in hopes of my dying soon. But I found out her plans in time to take care of myself. I immediately drew out my money from the different banks leaving my wife in possession of the house we then lived in. All this was done unknown to her; and I did not let her know that I heard a word.

Early one morning I left home, telling her I had business that called me a few miles into the country. She mistrusted nothing, and I left my home, never to return to it again. I changed my name, and went among strangers. I thought I never could place confidence in any one again, who knew I was wealthy. Then I thought I would pass myself off as poor, and the one who would give me a home through kindness, thinking it was a deed of charity, that one I resolved should have my money.

I went to several places, and people all turned a cold shoulder to me. At last a kind Providence directed me to your hospitable roof: and you have proved yourselves worthy; so you will find when my will is read, that I have not forgotten you. You thought me dest tute; you gave me a home and the comforts of life—you did it out of kindness and not for my money. You will be rewarded in this world, and in the world to come. "JAMES ST. CLAIR."

We found on reading his will that he had bequeathed all his large fortune to us. I have had a very costly monument erected in momory of him; and we have planted choice flowers upon his grave. You see when we were being^{*} kind to that old gentleman we were making our fortune; but we did it in ignorance, for we did not suppose he was worth anything. We only followed the dictates of conscience. You remember that St. Paul said to the Hebrews, "Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

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