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"That is something'I never heard of," Nattie said dyly; then thioking,
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"Do you like the First Kiss?"
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which Quimby jumped from his chair which Quimby J


## at this question. "Oht Bless <br> "Oht Bless ny socll Wooldn't

I T " he graped.
"I will play it to you," exclaimed tion of her question and she thundered as loud as she could on the piano, while Quimby, vith a very read face, subsided into the ebsair again. But not long did he remain sudsided; whether it was the mosie that inspired him, or a desperate determination that aer
ed him, he anddenly sprang up, and with one stride was beside her, ex claiming exeitedly,
please do not play any more just nou please do not play any more jost now Oh! I can't express myself! It all comes upon me with a rush when I am comese, but now, at this supreme moment, I cannot tell you hor I a-" "Erense me, bat I arm afrid I cannot remain nom," hastily interrupted done to stop him, and adopting the first expedient that euggested itselif "I just happened to reeollect I left my gas burning in close proximity to the
lace cortains, and I nust go immed lace cortains, and iately and attend to it."
With these words, Nattie roshed away, half amused and half anooyed, leaving him to atare' after her with how any fellow could get on amid such dravbecks, to deeide that proposing was a dreadful struin on the nerves, but to resolve his next attempt should be a suoceses, if he had to inauggarate previously a yeries of private rechearals, For aithoogh abas his repeated failores to mente bit by his repeated feilares to make hi
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## CHAPTER VI.


ly sh, ceased to speculate on the prob-
able embarrassment that must neeosesar able embarrassuent that must vecossar meeting, and interrupted ' $B$ 's' solitary meotuensation, by saying,
"What is the matter with you this moraing? Here 1 am, N. ed to say good-by before I went,
"Offr" questioned Nattie, with
sodden fall in her mental temperature.
"Yes, I am going to a station. five
milea below to substitute, to-day. The miles below to substitute, to-day. The operator there is obliged to go array,
and couldn't find anyone competent to and couldd't find anyone competent to
do his work, and as there was a fellow that could do mine, he comes here and I go there"
said Nattie, sinking into a chair, very mach aggrarated.
"I ame very sorry, bat I coulda'
well avoid accomodating him. Bu what will you do when I leave entirely if you can't get along without me one day ${ }^{\text {? }}$ happy I,
your existence ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ "
your existence $l^{\prime \prime}$
"But there is on prospect of your
leaving at present, is chere? askel a posibilitity to challenge the last of his
"The
"There is some probability of it
now," ' $C$ ' reaponded. "I will tell yo all aboat it to-morrow. I may come nearer to you; near enongh even for you to see that triakle."
"You don't mean you have a pros
peet of an office here in the city? questioned Nattie, not knowing whethe sho mould be glad or sorry if such were "Not el
TE erety," replied 'O.' "I har en't time to explain ; train is coning,
"Where did you say you were goin to-day $T^{\prime \prime}$ broke in Nattie quickly. "B a-five miles down the line Used to be, you know, but switched on wire number twenty teren last reek, 'C' responded to hurriedly, that Nattie conld hardy read it, although so no
castomed to his style of making his customed to his style of making his dots and dashes; for, with the ley, as with the peo, all operators hare
wna peouliar manner of wrting own peceliar manner of writing.
"Ah, yes I I remember," respon ed Nattie quiekly. "That hatefol operator signing ' M ' had it, that ased to befightiog for the circuit always, and breaking in when we were talking. I wouldn't have gone for him.
"Couldn't well avoid it.
train. Good-by; shall miss you terri
bly, but will be with you again to-mor-
row. Good-by",
"Good-by. Ia
Nattie ansmered.
As ' ' ${ }^{\prime}$ ' made no reply, it was suppos-
able he had gone, and probably had to ran hor hai gone, aod probably had to she took off her bat rather dejectedly. A broken companionship of any kind must ever leave a certain sense of loneliness, and this was none to less true now, on account of the unique cirearnstances. Indeed, antil to-day she had
tot fully realized how necessary 'C' aot fully realized hom necessary "C had become to her telegraphic life. Xaturally, she had woven a sorb
rowance about him who was a friend "so near and yet so far." Perhaps too, ber lonely hearn, a feeling that overy roman knows, found something, very pleassant in being always greeted with "Good morning, my dearr", and hearing the last thing at
Miss Kling undoubtedly mould have been shocked at being thes addressed
even on the wire, by a struige person -s person certainly, alhhough ynseen;
but Nattie, used to the lieense that distance gave, whether wisely or an wiely, had never though
to check the familiarity.
about leaving permanently, in the leis-
ure wiully deroted to chatting with
him, hut which that day sho hardly
knew how to fill, Nattie wondered if knew how to fill, Nattie wondered if,
should they ever come flice to fies, ahould they ever come freo to naes,
they would feel like the old friens they would feel the were, or if the neaness would
they wang a constraint now unknown? Y't
brin
 to see him and ascertain the personal appearance of one whe oecupiced so much of her thrughts. But how strauge
would be, if, after all their friendly is would be, if, after all their friendly allas and of gay confidenoes, he should that was both their mays now, and they never kuow anylays now, and they never know anyone was 'Cl and one was 'N P.something not ius possible either, or even improbable; for fate is a sort of switch-board, and a alight move will awitch tro lives onto wires far asander, even as the noving of a peg or two will alter everyhing on the board that shows its power so litule.
Tattie whe maghs in her mind, Nattie was rather among the shadors that day, and prosented no laughing
fice to the curions paseers-by, much to faco to the curions passers-by, much to hat opposite clerris relief, who come more recovered her seases. About an hour before the time for closing the office, as she was counting over her cash, and thiaking how glad she was that ' $C$ ' " vould be beck tomorrow, she became conscions of some one waiting het attention outside, and went formard, scarcely looking at him, expecting, of course, a meseige But instead, the indidua, who ilied the asked, "Ion are
I suppose?
With a start Nattie looked up, expecting a complaint an occurreabe by some. Iike question, rather
pref stout joong man, posesesing ar air of sheap assurance, hair that insisted on being red, notvithstanding the bear's grease that corered it, teeth all at variance with each other, and seeming to rejoice obtrusively in cost iosinnating axpression, trimmed around with rod.
"Yes," Nattie replied as she took this surrey. "I am."
"You don't know me, I suppose ?"
" ${ }^{n}$ as the next questien.
"No," Nattie replied with a glance at the large mock diamond pin, aod
immense imitation amethyst ting he more; "I certainly do not."
"I think yon are mistskee about that," he rejoined, smiling at her in : most uupleasantly familiar manner. Surprised and offended, Nattie drew
hack haughtily. "I think, rather, yon back haughtily. "I think, rather, you
are mistaken," she said, stifly. "May are mistaken," she said, stifly. "May I enquire your business?
With an sir of easy confidence and familiar remonstrance, he replied, "Come, now, don't freeze a fellow;
why, I came to see you.f. That's my
business and no otherl". business and no other : "He is drunk," thought Nattie, inhe added,
"I am an operator, Jou see",
" 0 h M " anid Natie
"Oh P " said Nattie, compreheosively, but not all delightediy, for operator or
no operator, zad $\begin{aligned} & \text { dotwithstanding the }\end{aligned}$
ort of freem sorperator, asd notwithstanding the
the of ffem, she preferred his roon to company. But constraining berelf,
she added as civily as poseibl "Tit she added as civily as possible, "Mich
you vish to send a mestge, or speal:
to any one on the wire ?" to any one on the wire
"No, thank youn." vith an insiouating he answered; thep. vith an insinuating smile,
"Can't jou guase who 1 am ?
"I really can"th" coldy and iodiffor ently; thinking, "some ef t the operatior
down town, I suppose, and a dolitf down town, I suppose, snd a delightful
set they are if ho is \& specimeo! so impertinent of him tr
Can t jour laghing and displaying his obtrusire toeth to their ataplast
adrantage. "Now just think of some one you bave been buxing s.at ly, acd
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