

## THE ADVANCE.

In the Fall one day the children with Annie and Philip went to the woods to pick nuts. While the children were off gathering nuts he proposed to her, but she asked him to let her have a year and then she would marry him. When the year was out she asked for just six months more. When the six months were out she married him. After their marriage they went to live in the house near the mill.

In the meantime where was Enoch? The ship landed safe at its destination. Enoch bought some toys for the children and some wares for the market. They started home again but the ship was wrecked and Enoch with two others were saved. They landed on a rich but lonely island. The two others died soon after, leaving him all alone. Year after year he lived thus, watching for a sail.

At last one came. The ship was blown out of its course, and seeing the island came in for water. When Enoch saw it he went down to the shore, and the sailors seeing him started to talk to him. He showed them where to get good water and they took him on board the ship. He told his story and they felt so sorry they gave him free passage and clothes. But he could not ask any questions about home for they did not come from there.

He landed at last at the place from where he started. He soon made his way to the village and then to the cottage where he left Annie, but all was darkness and a bill of sale was up. Then he made his way to a tavern and took lodgings there. The owner, Mirmiam Lane, told him all about himself and about Annie's marriage to Philip when she thought he was dead.

In the evening Enoch started out and wandered up to Philip's house. He opened the gate and crept in noiselessly to the window where the light was. Inside all was very comfortable. Annie was on one side of the hearth talking to her handsome son, on the other Philip was sitting with a child on his knees and younger Annie by his side. Enoch watched them for a while, but at last turned away and crept down the walk and out by the gate.

He sought for work and obtained it. He fell ill and when he felt he could not get better he called Mirmiam in and made her swear she would not reveal what he was going to tell her till he was dead. She promised, so he told her who he was and all about the voyage and shipwreck. Then he gave her the curl of hair and told her to give it to Annie when he was dead. A few days after he died, "and when they buried him the little port had seldom seen a costlier funeral."



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### CITY OF OTTAWA.

Ottawa is the capital of the Dominion of Canada, and the fourth or fifth city of Canada in population. It is situated on the south bank of the Ottawa river, nearly 90 miles above its junction with the St. Lawrence.

Ottawa was originally called Bytown, after a certain Colonel By, who founded it in 1827, during the building of the Rideau Canal. It was incorporated as a city in 1854, when it received its present name. Its first Session of Parliament opened in 1865, and in 1867 Ottawa was chosen the Capital of the Dominion.