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"Well!" said Cissy, in a sharp tone; "what do you want! Please leave my envelope alone. I shall be ashamed to send it, if you crumple it like that; and then I shall have the trouble of directing another."

"You are writing to Gabrielle, I suppose," said James.

"The address is before you, Mr. Hypo—James, I mean."

"She is coming back soon, is she not! He walked to the window, and looked out.

"On Tuesday, I believe. What of that!" Cissy! cantankerous child! Pray, have I offended you in any way? Because, if I have, I beg most humbly to apologize."

"Oh, dear no, thank you"—with supreme contempt; "your goings-on are no concern of mine, to offend or to please me. All I ask is, leave me alone, and let me finish my letter."

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"No, I haven't. That's reserved for the postscript—the bon mot."

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"Olivia, what can be done? You see, at the end of the letter, Mrs. Barber recommends care and vigilance and codliver oil, as if they were all to be mixed together;" and Cissy laughed spasmodically; "but I thought that there was seldom any hope for people in whom consumption is hereditary, when they get into a delicate state like this."

"Oh, Cissyl Yes; there is always hope, though, often, I fear, but little, said Olivia, her cheeks wet with tears; "however, all that we can do, we will do; and we must try to be cheerful, and to make the very best of it to the dear child herself, when she comes."

"How did the engagement begin? Did Lord Joseph come to Farnley?"

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