CHAPTER I.

"Who is that Clara?" said an indolatch, and the sound of a manly step upon the walk was heard. "Pshaw! tered the hall, and passed the door which was slightly ajar. The bright, expectant look faded from her face, and was succeeded by a listless, wea-

over the frilled pillow around her girlish face, which was flushed by the heat of the room; the small foot hanging over the side of the couch, just losing the rosetted slipper; the commisty lace curtains over her recumbent form, altogether made as pretty a nicture as one would wish to see.

scold you, I wish you to confide openly and unreservedly in me, and to feel that I can understand your feelings."

"Then I would teach him differently," said Clara earnestly. "I a picture as one would wish to see.

The other occupant of the room was taller, evidently several years ed? If I am gay, cheerful, and lively, when a girl, it was only necessary to her senior, and the resemblence between them denoted that they were see bright, happy faces about me, and cult—to express a doubt of your sisters. She was moving noiselessly to do this, make myself as attractive ability to accomplish a piece of music, day evening in Vienna, which was around, putting the finishing touches to an exquisitely neat toilet. Unexpectedly to both, the master of the house, the husband of the vounger around, putting the finishing touches house, the husband of the younger that?" lady, returned to the door. He did not enter, however, but merely said inquiringly:

"Did I leave a book here last night?"

And the wife as carelessly answered, "No, I have not seen it."

her dozing on the lounge.

I cannot sleep. I might as well get me." up," hiding her yawns with her delieate ringed hand. Another click of the gate-latch, another manly tread, and she started to her elbow again, with the same eager expectance in tassel around her slender waist, she rang for her maid and said:

need not stop to put it up, arrange it est pleasure; to enchant him with a in curls. One is not expected to be smile, or cast him into despair at coldinate much the morning after a ness or a frown, to know that the care. This certainly will be a new and in-

the room, turned with a smile to her

"How do I look-presentable?"

"Charming," replied her sister, smile at that girlish face, with the but they are equally dangerous. The a bright sparkle in her blue eyes.

the succeeding half hour Clara could that it is very wrong and wicked in hear the sounds of gay chat, light you to feel so, and she don't see how laughter and snatches of music, a you can, and thus forces you to keep sweet, fresh young voice caroling your thoughts to yourself, only to be gay ballads, and agile fingers making cherished the more. This friend is a rippling accompaniment.

smiling gaily, and sinking with grace- lessness. Now Clara Reeve was neithful abandon in a childish position on er of these. She loved her young the floer at her sisters side, began to talk, in her lively, thoughtless manner. For Annie Howard was only a child, although she had been married three years. three veers.

with an abundance of means, an indulgent husband, not a care in life. gay, thoughtless and light-hearted, she suffered herself to drift along the surrent of circumstances, without a thought of the past, or fear for the future, content to enjoy the fair present. She was light hearted and merry, but not frivolous and silly. She was merely a gay, little butterfly, fond of pleasure and admiration, enjoying the wealth that was showered upon her. wealth that was showered upon her with a lavish hand, and the bright season of youth and beauty while it she was involved as a indicious was hers. She liked her husband be-friend to one younger and more her—he had married her because he admired her; but he never spoke of love, and they were both rather skeptical about the possibility of any deep feeling—anything but the calm attachment they felt for each other.

"Who was your visitor,?" said Clara, smiling fondly on her upturned face, for the two sisters were the only | do not care to win?" ones of the family, and a fond affection united them.

"Mr. Leroy; he is so pleasant and entertaining, the time never seems long in his company."

"He is your favorite then, among

your acquaintances?"

"No, I don't know that he is. He is a comparative stranger; I have not been acquainted with him very long. There are others that I like just as well. There is Mr. Allan—Paul Allan
—I like him best of all, I believe. Indeed, I am having quite an interesting flirtation with him now. Oh, you needn't look so surprised, sister all. mine, you are new to the ways and eustoms of this place, having just arrived. You must know that married

viving relative.

"You see," continued the younger

upon the walk was heard. "Pshaw! amusement. Suppose it should be of the love of one who sees you at all it is only Mr. Howard," sinking back upon her pillow as her husband en-

reast as far as I am concerned," gaily replied Annie. "I suppose I have a sense of propriety strong enough to take care of my own head and heart. And as for the other party." added she replied? She was very pretty, even in her dishabille. Her silken wrapper, with its facings of bright crimson, was gathered in warm folds around her gathered in warm folds around her the loose sleeves slipgraceful form, the loose sleeves slip-chooses to admire, nay, love me, can the heart of one who is constantly chooses to admire, nay, love me, can the heart of one who is constantly with you—whom possession has renarms thrown back over her head.
The bright dishevelled hair tossed ment, and that I will never do. I will "Oh, that is

so. You are only thoughtless. You because I am his wife. But as for love, fortable nest of rosy, damask cushions and snowy pillows around her; the open window, through which the pleasant morning air floated in, bearing the fragrance of roses, and the mitted that the pleasant morning are floated in, bearing the fragrance of roses, and the solution of the pleasant morning are floated in, bearing the fragrance of roses, and the solution of the pleasant morning are floated in, bearing the fragrance of roses, and the solution of the pleasant morning are floated in, bearing the fragrance of roses, damask cushions so. You are only thoughtless. You because I am his wife. But as for love, have never loved passionately, and books, his dry legal studies. Love is too frivolous a thing in his opinion—never return. But 1 do not wish to soll you, I wish you to confide openly grave, sensible man."

"No, but you were talking of flirta-

"As to fall in love with me?" laughed Annie, merrily running her slen- Clara. How much art and tact you der fingers through her curls, and toss- have! You should turn your atten-Neither looked towards each other, ing them in confusion back from her tion to politics. The intrigues of and he withdrew to his study, leaving face. "I am no doubt very wicked to State are alone sufficient to engress er dozing on the lounge. | teel differently, but to confess the your acute intelligence. Then you "We had a delightful party last truth, I feel just the other way. I feel seriously advise me to attempt to night," said she at length to her sister, only kindness and pity towards those captivate my husband, that grave and who had seated herself at her work. who are so unfortunate as to lose serious man, who never wastes "I am wearied out this morning, yet their heart to poor, little insignificant

> "Take care!" said Clara, more seriously, "'pity is akin to love.'"

"No danger," exclaimed Annie, coloring indignantly. "Do you think I would ever forget what is due to her bright blue eyes. A ring of the koor bell was heard, and a flake of snowy pasteboard was brought to her.

The bould have some calls feet, and facing the floor. "I do enfect, and facing the floor. "I do enfect, and facing the floor." this morning," said she, starting up, "It is inexcusable that I am not dressed." Then hurrying with cager fingers to unknot the silken cord and tassel around her slender weith and tassel around her slender weither a slender weither and tassel around her slender weither like to witness my power, to see the 'lord of creation,' as he styles him-"Nellie, brush out my hair; you eed not stop to nut it un. arrange it." self, put himself to every trouble and heart too deeply engaged before you inconvenience to give me the slight-are aware. I cannot blame you for less touch of my hand, the glance of teresting experiment to awaken an In a few moments, with the assist- my eye, causes that strong frame, ance of her quick-fingered maid, she that could crush me in its grasp, to was attired; and before leaving tremble. No doubt it is wrong to feel so, but I do. Every human being likes power. I like to witness my influence.

Now there are two different adviswho could not resist an admiring ers and confidents. I do not know areless curls falling on her neck, and one frowns severely at your confes sions, checks your growing confi She tripped to the parlor, and for dences, tells you in downright earnest only less to blame than the one who At the end of this time she returned chimes in and encourages your reckthat it was outspoken, unconcealed. She was not yet twenty, and blessed brink on which she stood, that this could only lead to sorrow, that at and ruin. Her's was also one of those warm, sympathetic natures that could she was invaluable as a judicious thoughtless.

cided on her mode of advice and ac-

"Oh yes, of course there are some that I do not care for."

"And are not these the ones on whom your art has been tried in vain?

"Oh, Clara, you are just trying to see how much vanity I can give exto win."

"Then I suppose your husband, constantly exposed to your fascina-tions, must be the most important of

"My husband?" said she with falling countenance and change of tone. he is doing his utmost to stop the "He does not care for me nor what I villanous traffic. The Italian Parlialadies here have the same privilege of do, engaged as he is with his books and ment has just passed an act making

rived. Having lately lost her hus- ness, and was wounded by it, and band and children, she had come to Clara fel@interested and hopeful as the sight of Duluth on Wednesday, make her home with her only sur- she rejoined, apparently in a jesting, the 25th June, last. careless manner :

"Then I do not believe you are as sister, "it is all fair, plain sailing; irresistible as you would have me be-tis understood on both sides that lieve. Tis only those who see you lent looking little lady, half starting there is to be nothing serious-just in your brightest moments, dressed up from the lounge on which she was merely an exciting amusement to pass for company, that are attracted by reclining, as the click of the gate-away the time." way the time."

'But suppose it should not end in power to me would be the possession

"Oh, that is a different thing cloud shadows on an April day. "Of | ing by the neck by a log chain, and "No, not heartless; I do not think course he likes me, he is kind to me,

"Well, Clara, now is it not natural would make him love me, however few days since, was lynched on Sunfor every woman to like to be admir-difficult: If I remember rightly,

Annie was silent a few moments, in deep thought; then the tion. I should not think you could humor of the whole thing struck her feel right—could treat a man with civility who so far forgot himself—" peal of ringing laughter.

Late earthou

"What an arch diplomate you are, a thought upon me, any more than if were a butterfly or a singing bird. You artful woman, to suggest such an idea! I am half-tempted to try it, his visiting the United States when just for the fun of it. But whether I Prince. The Crown Prince—his son, should succeed or not is another ques- will travel as soon as his studies are tion. I should be very much morti- sufficiently advanced. fied if he should pay no attention to my little arts; I should feel like a spider which, after infinite pains, had failed to entrap a fly."

interest in him for awhile, and keep rest and trial be granted. you from entangling yourself in other flirtations in which you might get your seeking excitement and amusement in the heart of that cold, ambitious man, who evidently does not believe in love, nor the power of woman. Khiva. Two engagements with And even if you get yourself involved Khiveso troops are reported, in which harm done. Better your husband Khiva. than any other."

Dismal People.

ever right, because they imagine they so." "Well, I bet you if he has got ought to have something extraordione, he can't play on it. nary in the way of luck. A few are this is the most effectual way of so ance girl, "The lips that touch wine doing. But the majority of the Dis- shall never touch mine;" to which a mals are good people (or, at least, people who want to be good), and they appear to be dismal strictly on cause, you know, they don't look pretty probably say something of this sort:

"This world is made up of sin and sorrow, and suffering. It is a probation, and we need not look for anything pleasant until we pass into the looking at them we constantly re-

After a moment's reflection, she decided on her mode of advice and action.

"But is your love of admiration so "But is your love of admiration so "But is your love of admiration so "Children upon the doing of anything pleasant, are next their own dismal fashion. Everything is done for duty, and if by chance in performing this duty they stumble upon the doing of anything pleasant, are next their own dismal fashion. Everything is done for duty, and if by chance in performing this duty they stumble upon the doing of anything pleasant, are next to see the control of the con grasping as to desire that of all, or to they are sure to spoil the taste of it. you have some favorite aversions among your acquaintances, that you people find in life? The best thing that mortals can do while passing through this thory world, is the pluck as many roses as possible.

The Bank of England forgers, who have been safely got together from far and near, were up before the see how much vanity I can give ex-pression to," exclaimed Annie, as the and remanded. The Attorney-Genpression to," exclaimed Annie, as the and remanded. The littorion of the color deepened on herdimpled cheek. "But I do not know that I have failed services of the U.S. Minister and Liver Complaint, and Disease of the Kidneys. New York authorities in helping the

extradition of McDonnell. General of Italy in New York it appears that the sufferings of the Italian children imported into U. S. as slaves has been in no way exaggerated and flirting that girls do—just in fun, you his law business, so I do not trouble such trading a felony and severely him."

The ice-field finally departed from

An Oregon paper refers to an editor on a rival sheet as "a young gentlemen of frugal montal capacity. A special committee of the Mon-

treal City Council is considering the question of extending the city limits. Naval Cadet Matzmulla, of Japan, ranks tenths in this year's graduating class of Annapolis.

its weather probabilities, and seventy per cent. of its cautionary signals were realized by storms.

Thirteen young ladies graduated at the Elmira (N.Y.) Female College on Thursday, and the degree of M.D. was conferred on Miss Lottic Blake Brown, of Philadelphia.

At Detroit, the other day, James Greevner was found in his shed, hangresting on his knees, dead. He was insane.

Nathan Lees, a Manchester, (Eng. land) cotton mannfacturer, lately died and left £2,500,000 for his relatives to squabble over. He had never been married, and was 75 years old.

The man Delos Heffren, who murdered Halstead in Salem, Indiana, a

The Emperor and Empress of Austria gave a brilliant fete on Sunnumerously and fashionably attended An explosion of a large quantity

of gunpowder took place on Sunday night in San Francisco, by which some ten or twelve persons were

Later reports show that the earthquake that passed over the northern portion of Italy caused immense destruction of property and some loss of life. A despatch states that serious

troubles are expected from the Ute tribe of Indians, in consequence of their retaliation for injuries inflicted upon them by the whites. The King of Sweden has been

interviewed, and is said to have stated that press of duties alone prevented The Committee of the French As

sembly to consider the subject of M. Ran's prosecution summoned him to appear before it; which he refused to "It will at least be a safe game, my do; whereupon the Committee redear. It will make you take an commend that authority for his ar-Jackson S. Shuitz having retired

from the Chief Commissionership of U. S. to the Exhibition, Minister Jay has sent a deputation to Washington recommending the appointment of Mr. II. Garretson, Cleveland, one of the suspended Commissioners.

The Russian Columns are reported making steady progress towards in the net you have spread for another, the latter were defeated, and it is and find out there is such a thing as stated that one Russian column had love for yourself, there will be no arrived at a point only 25 miles from

Papa had been trying to explain to his bright little boy how baby brother had gone to heaven when he died. His first question on waking up the morn-There are many people who take a strange delight in being dismal. Some of them are so selfish that nothing is ever right, because they imaging they

ill-tempered, and adopt the dismal line on purpose to spite those who live thering in St. Louis a few evenings with them, being well assured that since quoted the motto of the temper conscientious grounds. If they put after some officious old lady has thrown their feelings into words, they would water in their faces and it has made little gutters along their cheeks." That bit of smartness sealed the young man's fate. He wont attend the next social.

The first stage coach in America started from Boston, from the site of next. We must not give way to hap- No. 90 North street, in 1661. The piness, or encourage joy. It is true first line of stage coaches between Bosthat God gives the sunshine and the ton and New York was established in flowers, but He intends that while 1732, a coach leaving each city once a month. Fourteen days were required mind ourselves that the rain will to complete the journey. In 1802, the come, and that the flowers will die." It seems impossible that such hearts | York on Mon'ay morning at 8 o'clock. can love, but perhaps they do so after and was due in New York at noon on

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"Oh yes, I understand," replied Clara, who, as Annie said, had just ar"There was a touch of pique in her tone, as if she rather felt this carelesstone, as if she rather felt this carelesstone as well as parents consenting to the such trading a felony and severely punishing all who employ such child. Sold at \$1.00 per bottle.

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