

The Common Lot.

It is a common tale, a woman's lot, To waste on one the wishes of her soul, Who takes the wealth she gives him, but cannot...

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CHAPTER VII.—CONTINUED.

Mr. Hastings, still adoring, scrambles on by my side, panting and puffing with the might of the too solid flesh nature has bestowed upon him...

My stupidity slightly discomfits my companion. "I only hoped you meant you—you would have no objection to engage me as a coachman in your never-ending drive," he says...

CHAPTER VIII.

The following Monday, as I sit reading in the small parlor we dare to call our own, I am startled by Dora's abrupt entrance.

"Heard? Nothing. I would not have believed it if I had heard it. I saw it with my own eyes. An hour ago I put on my things and went out for a walk, intending to go down by the river; but just as I came to the shrubberies, and while I was yet hidden from view, I saw Mr. Carrington and that horrid dog of his standing on the bank just below me."

CHAPTER IX.

It is the evening of the same day, and we were all seated in our accustomed places at the dinner-table; all, that is, except papa. It is such an unusual thing for him to be absent, once a bell was sounded summoning us to meals, that we are busy wondering what can be the matter, when the door is flung violently open, and he enters. It becomes instantly palpable to every one of us, that, in the words of the old song, "sullen glooms his brow."

half of his allowance of that nutritious fluid still remains upon his plate. His going now means his being dinnerless for this day at least. A lump rises in my throat and I have flashes. For the moment I feel that I have Dora and papa and my own soup, and leaning back in my chair, suffer it to follow Billy's.

OUR YOUNG FOLKS.

Partnership.

A little girl addresses the mother of her pet kitten. You need not be looking around at me so: She's my kitten, as much as your kitten, you know.

How a Little Girl Suggested the Invention of the Telescope.

Some of the most important discoveries have been made accidentally; and it has happened to more than one inventor, who had long been searching after some new combination or material for carrying out a pet idea, to hit upon the right thing at last by mere chance.