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Years Ago. Near the bank of the river, where the water flows clear...

THE GIRL WHO LAUGHED.

A girl was watching roses in the yard as Morris came to his work. He was a carpenter and joiner, working in Mr. Mills' employ...

Good-morning, said Morris, looking at her with dark admiring eyes.

Good-morning—here's a rose for you, she answered, and laughed.

That laugh! She was always laughing—giggling, the spiteful girl said...

What old flower is that? she asked. Shall I throw it in the wood-box?

Morris was lying stretched upon a lounge, reading the morning paper. He had some enough to look to please any girl's fancy...

It was no love token, mother, Morris said, gravely. Only a rose that Pledge Mills tossed me as I passed by this morning.

Pledge Mills is a vain, pretty, giggling girl, Morris said, the mother, not lifting her eyes to her son's face.

Just as if like her, answered Morris, quizzing with his hand shading his eyes from the lamp-light.

Yes, I think she is pretty, answered Morris, as if he had just thought of it for the first time, which was true.

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It is said that Pledge laughed just after the clergyman pronounced them man and wife, but I don't know how true it is. But certain it is that the laugh Morris used to an object to have become the sweetest sound on earth to him.

Captions of Acts and Resolutions.

The following is a list of the captions of the acts and resolutions passed at the special session of the General Assembly, convened March 15, 1880.

An act to empower the Board of Commissioners of Cabarrus county, to settle by compromise, all outstanding indebtedness to the county for the years 1871, 1872, 1873, 1874, 1875, 1876, and 1877.

An act to relieve the citizens of Burke county from the operations of act prohibiting the driving of cattle west of the Blue Ridge.

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An act concerning taxation and revenues.

An act to amend chapter 82 of the laws of 1879 entitled 'An act to provide for keeping in repair the public roads of the State.'

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An act to give to sub-contractors, laborers and material men a lien for their just dues.

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An act to amend chapter 80 of the private laws of 1879 concerning cotton weights.

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An act for the relief of the bondsmen of P. J. Stowell, late sheriff and tax collector of Beaufort county.

An act to protect the fish interest in North Carolina.

No main after all.

THE QUEEN OF SHEBA (COMPILED AND THE ROSE JERUSALEM SOCIETY CANONIZED).

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