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THE FALSE FRIEND.
The last rays of the setting sun fell upon a large gilt cross, ornamenting the steeple of a country church, in the State of Connecticut, causing it to look like pure gold set in the dark blue sky. The church stood upon the bank of the Connecticut river, that here ran through lovely scenery of rolling hills, meadow lands and cultivated farms, dotted with the handsome country-seats of the wealthy and the cottages of the poor, that added life to the scene.

Gliding slowly down the river was a sail boat, containing two persons, a lady and a gentleman, the former a handsome, young girl of eighteen, and the latter a young man of twenty five.

At the time this story commences Gertrude was eighteen, and having received a thorough education and possessing many accomplishments, added to her beauty and wealth, rendered her a great favorite with all who knew her.

Upon his return to America he had gone to Riverside, Mr. Wentworth's handsome country seat, and it was while here that he had met and loved Gertrude Clyde. That young lady returned his love with all the warmth of her nature; but as "the course of true love never run smooth," it did not make an exception in their favor, for Mrs. Clyde was bitterly opposed to Preston; for though Madame Rumor

reported him to be the heir to Mr. Wentworth's vast estates, she pretended to have heard from a better source than that gossiping lady that he was not the heir.

Mr. Wentworth was a frequent visitor at Myrtle bank, Mrs. Clyde's place, and whenever asked by Gertrude, if he ever heard of Preston always replied in the negative.

Being left an orphan at fifteen, and having no means to live upon, he was at once thrown upon his own exertions to maintain himself, and nobly did he struggle, until Mr. Wentworth hearing of his condition, sent for him to come and remain with him.

"Then I am glad to meet you. My name is Scott, and I have this letter of introduction to you from Mr. Wentworth," said the stranger, handing Preston a letter.

fortunate, for I have not only dug out a large fortune, but my companion, who was very lucky also, hearing from home that an uncle had died and left him an immense estate, made me his heir leaving with me all his earnings; so I will start back in a few days.

Time rolled on and Gertrude again mingled in society, though a sadness and crept over her lovely face and cast out the sunshine from it.

"You will no doubt be greatly surprised to find that he that was dead is alive again, but it is even so—I was found by some Indians, and supposed to be dead, but finding after a while that I yet lived, they carried me to their village, and though I lingered for months between life and death, I finally recovered, thanks to their care. I will stop in New York for a few days and then join you, but do not tell Gertrude yet. I have a large fortune at my command, and am henceforth independent.

"I'll write to Master Preston at once to come here. How glad I am I opened that letter when I thought it was from him. So Master Wentworth did not go to Europe, but to California—and tried to kill poor Preston. Never mind, I'll outwit him."

Jack; and the man, stepping from the shadow of the trees into the moonlight, displayed the handsome features of Preston Sylvester.

With a deep curse, Wentworth took one of the pistols, and turning to his friends, said: "He has a right to demand satisfaction, so I will give it to him. Measure off ten paces, please, Wright and Mercer, let me speak with you."

"The affair created a great excitement in the neighborhood, but when the truth was known how Mr. Wentworth had treated Preston, and attempted to murder him, few felt much sympathy for dead man.

The "Circassian girl," exhibited by Barnum, is visiting her native village of Olney, Illinois. The deceptive creature has already sailed \$11,000, in seven thirties.

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How a CHINAMAN PERSUADES A MULE.—The Chinese are always kind to animals, and never punish; hence a mule that in the hands of a foreigner would be not only useless, but dangerous to every one about it, becomes, in the possession of a Chinaman, as quiet as a lamb and as tractable as a dog.

Rev. Dr. Munsey.
We have been informed, and our information comes from a very reliable source, that Rev. Dr. Munsey, whose reported unfortunate mental condition has been alluded to in our columns, appeared before the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in session at Marion last week, and having satisfied the Conference of his restoration to health and perfect capability for the discharge of ministerial duties, he was requested to preach in that place on Sunday evening. He complied with the request, and delivered an able and impressive sermon to a very large audience. This intelligence is very gratifying to us, and we feel confident it will be gladly received by the many friends of this able divine, wherever his name and eminent services in the his trian ministry are known.—*Lynchburg, Virginia.*

For Lovers of Flowers.
A most beautiful and easily attained show of ever greens may be had by a very simple plan. If geranium branches, taken from luxuriant and healthy plants just before the winter sets in, be cut as for slips and immersed in soap water, they will, after dropping for a few days, shed their leaves, put forth fresh ones, and continue in the finest vigor all winter. By placing a number of bottled thus fitted in a flower basket, with moss to conceal the bottles a show of everlasting green is easily insured for the whole season. They required no fresh water.

Car H. Clark