

My Maid Marie.

By Mrs. Harriet A. Overier, in "Ex-Amines." She said her papa was Spanish, and her ma was Italian, and it was easy to believe her correct in each case.

upward, surely so went my maid, Marie. Two days afterward, in all the fresh beauty of a Summer morning, I met the doctor in the hall, and he said Marie wanted to see me and I must "be calm."

POOR little beauty! she held out one loving hand as I approached the bed. Her utterance was slow, and I remember every word the soft voice said—remember it as if heard but yesterday.

"My little lady, good by! I greet you, my lady, dear. The garment of righteousness Marie tried to tell you about, the day after Miss Lucy's party, is all ready—it shall be worn to-day."

"My own love, the Chief among ten thousand—oh, so lovely—is calling every moment for his own Marie! I shall wait you there by-and-by, my lady. You mustn't forget Marie; she won't forget to love and watch over her lady."

I have often worn soft, gauzy dresses on occasions of pleasure since then, but never without a thought of the garment of righteousness I hope my eyes have rested with satisfaction on a beautiful home, built and embellished for comfort and pleasure; but I believe never without a thought of the pearls given, through which I hope some day to see the heavenly habit of Marie; she was an angel in Heaven."

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