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Thrilling Sketch.
THE OLD LADY'S STORY.

I have never told you my secret, my dear niece. However, this Christmas, which may well be the last to an old woman, I will give the whole story; for though it is a strange story, and a sad one, it is true: and what sin there was in it I trust I may have expiated by my tears and my repentance. Perhaps the last expiation of all is this painful confession.

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itude of life was about me; as if shadowy faces crushed up against me, and eyes and hands, and sneering lips, all mocked me. I was suffocated. The air was so heavy, so filled with life, that I could not breathe.

to order. The house looked larger than before, now that it was so beautifully decorated and the broken trellis-work, which used to hang dangling among the ivy, was matted with creeping roses, and jasmine, which left on me the impression of having been in flower, which was impossible. It was a fairy palace; and we could scarcely believe that this was the deserted, ill-omened Green Howe.

something stronger than my will. "And you intend to obey him?" "No," I said again, in the same manner, as if I had been talking in a dream.

turned to speak to him, the room was empty. Not a living creature was there; only a low laugh, and the far-off voices whispering and the wings. And then a hand tapped on the window, and the voice of Felix cried: "Come, Lizzie, come!"

JOE SMITH'S MIRACLES.
Some years ago, a number of orthodox clergymen were ascending the Ohio river on one of the fine boats navigating this stream, and among the passengers was Elder Hyde, of Mormon faith. Of course, the passengers were treated to several sermons; and on Sunday two discourses were delivered by two of the most talented of the clergy.