



By The Duchess.

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Now to decide. I have sometimes thought I was not entirely indifferent to you, and at all events we are friends in the best sense of the term.

"Think, think!" says she, putting up her hand to stay him from further speech. "All this is said in a moment of angry excitement. You have called me your friend--and truly. I am so far in touch with you that I can see you are very unhappy."

"I tell you," says she, presently, "that you have not gone into this thing. Tomorrow you will regret all that you have done."

CHAPTER XVII. Dancing is going on in the small drawing-room. Lady Swandown is happily engaged herself to-night. That scene with her hostess has upset her mentally and bodily and created in her a wild desire to get away from herself, and from Swandown at any cost.

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body would rise to plead for children's rights! The Carthagenians used to sacrifice their children by putting them into the arms of a wind that thrust forth its hand. The child was put into the arms of the idol, and no sooner touched the arms than it dropped into the fire.

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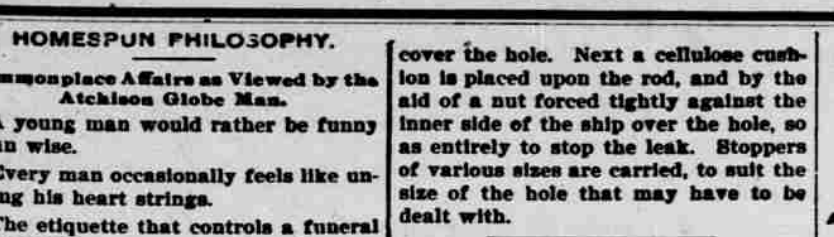
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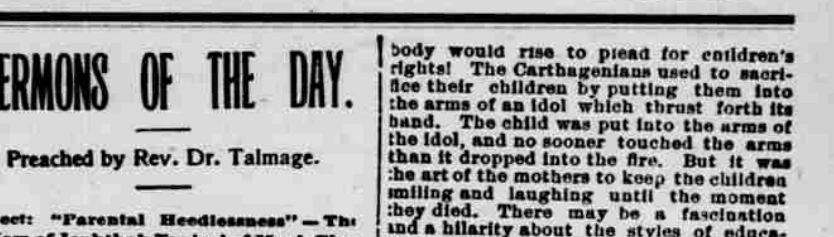
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