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CHAPTER I.

A MONTH has elapsed—August is waning, and Vanessa is back at the rose-covered Vicarage in the heart of Southshire. She has repeated over and over again to Susan the events of the last ten months, and Susan has never wearied of hearing about her darling's doings, and of saying with a wise nod that she always knew how it would be. When she hears, however, that Vanessa has danced and conversed with a royal personage, her jaw drops, and she feels that Fate has even overstepped her predictions.

Brandon thoroughly enjoys the repose of the country—he has brought down a couple of horses, and is teaching his wife to ride, an easy enough matter, as he has taken care to provide her with a quiet, well-broken horse, and she is not troubled with nervousness.