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CHAPTER I.

MARK'S CORRESPONDENT.

KIT had spoken with bitterness of the welcome, so different from his own, which he knew was waiting Frank Meade at the Dovecote; but he might have instanced even with more reason the Christmas greeting that was in store for Mark at the Knoll. For what is a father's pride in his son, no matter what reason there may be for it, as compared with that of a mother, whether there be reason or no? Nor was the devotion of an ancient retainer, however faithful, such as Rachel Deeds, to be compared with that of a sister like Maud.

The three young men, Kit, Frank, and Mark, indeed, though you might "cover them with a handkerchief," as the phrase goes, as regards propinquity, and though they were in the same plane of social life, were in very different positions as regard their own homes; while the time was coming, and very