



CHAPTER XVIII—(Continued.)

The afternoon after the ball Jane went out driving with her mother, and at the latter's suggestion went round by the gardens where every one usually gathered about that time.



CHAPTER XIX.

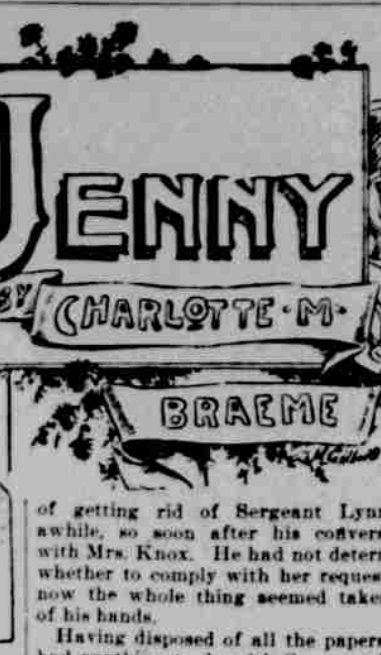
The next day was Sunday. Jane went to church with her father and mother, and sat throughout the service with her eyes fixed upon her book.

"I don't think that will be necessary. Give it to my father to send. That is he coming back now."—as a sound of wheels was heard outside.



CHAPTER XX.

When, early on the morning, Stephen Prinsep received a note from Jane containing only the word "Come," it may be believed he lost no time in answering the summons.



CHAPTER XXI.

Having disposed of all the papers that had anything to do with Sergeant Lynn, the Colonel turned to other business, and soon forgot the whole affair.

tion that she carried it away to her own room and locked the door. Then she tore open the envelope and read the letter.