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A BOY'S LOVES.

"When I am big I will marry Kitty." But Kitty slapped me and ran away...

STEP-MOTHER AND STEP-SON.

A Story of Love, Jealousy, Hatred, Revenge and Heroic Self-Sacrifice.

By the Author of "Dora Thorne," "A Bridge of Love," "At War with Herself," "A Golden Dream," "Which Loved Him Best?" "A Rose in Thorns," etc., etc.

CHAPTER II.

For many long years the Christmas-Eve party at Larchton Mere had been a most solemn institution. Sir Austen believed in old times and in old customs, and he loved Christmas with the simple love of a child.

lantly-lighted drawing-room, and then Lady Cumnor seemed to think it time that she spoke to her handsome stepson. She summoned him to her with a graceful wave of her fan; and Ross went.

He had no time to answer, for Mrs. Pitt came to beg that he would sing for them. "Do you sing?" said Lady Cumnor, half scornfully.

master of Larchton Mere, whose will and sway had been undisputed. She was a good judge of character for one so young; and she saw that "my lady" would dispute his authority and his power inch by inch.

HUMOROUS. —The Lowell Citizen has discovered that "L. S.," printed after the signatures on the blanks of legal documents means "Lick the Seal."

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