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| ruin ware on every side. The whole place the look of not having been tenanted for years. Of course, not a person was in sight. |  |
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| the place, getiling the lay of the land ad making my plans as how best to dinpose of If, I put my personal feelings anide |  |
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| dismonisted from my horme and renolutely entered the houne. <br> When I cromend |  |
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| struck with the difference in the Interior of the house as compared with its appear- |  |
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| my Elance foll on a large cheval platemirror which hung from the opporte will. |  |
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| I could not remember having seenIt whade my tour of inspection and fhoughtit strange that so handsome a plece as thatrusty creak as it turned on its hinges. Allwas darkness beyond. I picked up the lamp |  |
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| reality for the first time. <br> "That is strange," I thought. "There |  |
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