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CHAPTER I.

CONCERNING TWO LADIES WHO SAT IN THE  
MALORY PEW.

THERE were tenants at last in Malory; and the curiosity of the honest residents of Cardyl-lan, the small and antique town close by, was at once piqued and mortified by the unaccountable reserve of these people.

For four years, except from one twisted chim-ney in the far corner of the old house, no smoke had risen from its flues. Tufts of grass had grown up between the paving-stones of the silent stable-yard, grass had crept over the dark avenue, which, making a curve near the gate, is soon lost among the sombre trees that throw a perpetual shadow upon it; the groves of nettles had spread and thickened among their trunks; and in the