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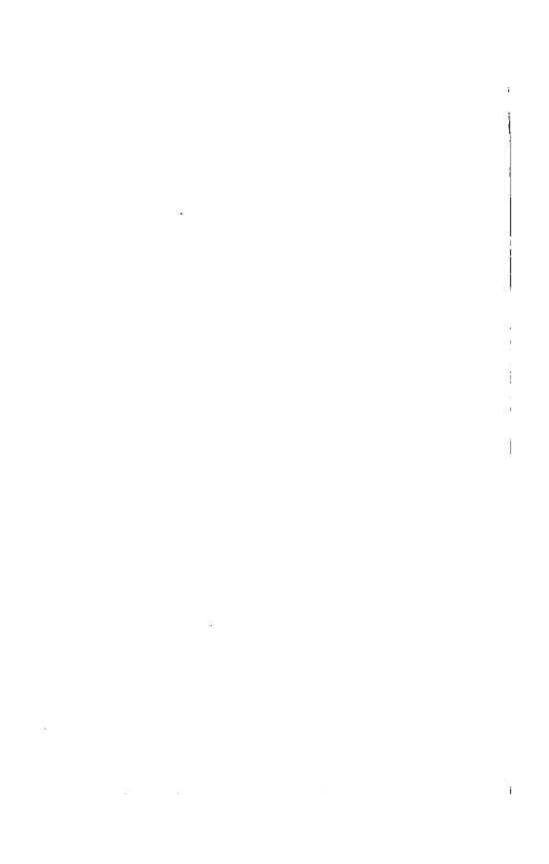
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THE FLUTTER OF THE GOLDLEAF A PLAY IN ONE ACT

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CHARACTERS

PHILO WARNER, a student
HIRAM WARNER, his father, the village grocer
MARY ANN WARNER, his mother
Dr. Bellows, the village physician
Dr. Seymour, a city specialist
REBA SLOAN, a neighbor's daughter

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Scene: Laboratory in the attic of the Warner cottage. At right, toward rear, entrance from down-stairs. A rude partition, left, with door in centre. Window centre rear. Large kitchen table loaded with apparatus. Shelves, similarly loaded, against wall near table, right. Wires strung about. A rude couch, bench, and several wooden chairs.

Time, about 8 p.m. Lamp burns on table.

MRS. WARNER comes up-stairs, puts her head inside the room nervously, then enters and looks about.

Mrs. W.

Such a mess! And the doctors will be here in half an hour! (Tries to get busy but seems bothered. Crosses to table and looks at a little machine that stands upon it.) That's what's driving my boy crazy! If I only dared to smash it! The right sort of a mother would do just that! (Looks at machine with dire meditation.)

Warner (without, roaring up the stairs)
Mary Ann!