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The kindness extended to the writer by the reviewers of the preceding volume, "Chimmie Fadden, Major Max, and Other Stories," prompted in some degree, doubtless, by fraternal good will, has been justified, happily, by the sale of the book, and its popularity with those whose opinions the critical would most respect.

The story "Mr. Fannie Hallowell," included herewith, has not been published hitherto. The "Fadden" and "Max" sketches appeared first in the New York "Sun"; the others, with the exception mentioned, were printed first in the San Francisco "Argonaut."

THE AUTHOR.



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The Wedding of Miss Fannie.





D ID I never tell you bout de weddin of Miss Fannie and Mr. Burton? No? Say, are you on t' me sayin 'you' stid of 'ye'? Dat's de Duchess's doin. She's dead stuck on me talkin like a dude. I was tellin Mr. Burton bout it de odder day, and he says, says he, 'Chames,' he says, 'Chames, I'll teach you t' talk what de Duchess is pleased t' designate'—dem's his very lanwudge; 'pleased t' designate'; ain't he a corker?—'is pleased t' designate de dude lanwudge if you'll teach me your talk.'

THE
WEDDING
MISS
FANNIE.

"Say, honest, dat broke me all up, cause I never taut I talked no diffrunt from him. I taut it was cause de Duchess was forn she couldn't get onto me talk. Wasn't I raised right on de Bowry? If dey don't talk American dere, I'd like t' know wot t'ell! Dat's all I'd like t' know.

"Sometimes I taut it was cause I didn't use no big words dat de Duchess was kickin, but when I told Mr. Burton t' tell me on de dead level what was de matter wid me talk, he said not to bodder bout it; dat after I was round wid