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"PLEASE," IMPLORED SYLVIA, "DON'T ANY OF YOU KNOW ANYTHING OF LIFE? I'LL GIVE YOU ALL MY CANDY IF YOU'LL ONLY TELL ME WHERE HE 15."—See page 42.

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HERE was a long pause. Sylvia, curled up on the hearth-rug, stared at the blaze. Uncle Will glanced impatiently toward the window against which the rain still dashed, and yawned again. He was sure that in a minute or two Sylvia would beg for another story: he knew the very tone of coaxing command she would use.

"Uncle Will!" It was the tone he had expected. But Sylvia's face