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CHAPTER I.

AFTER THE CONCERT.

THE concert was over. The last strains of music from the cornets had scarcely died away, before the four sisters who had stood in stately dignity before the audience, made a merry rush for the dressing-room. There they found the singer already in her street gown and engaged in packing her concert finery.

"Well, Ruth Hudson, you are about the swiftest dresser I ever saw!" exclaimed one